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## THE "GRASSROOTS" MYTH: "LIBERAL CIA" NETWORK OF "NEW LEFT" FOUNDATIONS, MEDIA AND ACTIVIST GROUPS - MUCH MORE THAN JUST GEORGE SOROS

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*"Liberal CIA [is] the best mafia you can deal with in the 20th century."*

~ 1983, Harvard's mushroom, LSD and DMT pioneer Dr. Timothy Leary.<sup>1</sup>

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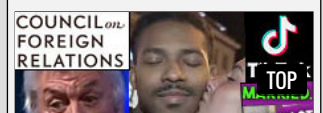
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*"A lot of what we do today was done covertly 25 years ago by the CIA."*

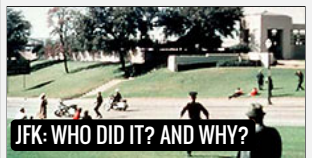
~ Superclass member Allen Weinstein, co-founder of the **National Endowment for Democracy.**<sup>2</sup>

*"Any of the programs which ... were conducted as covert operations [can now, through the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) network, be] conducted quite openly, and consequentially, without controversy."*

~ 1973-1976 CIA director William Colby (CFR 1975-), whose wife, Sally (CFR 1979-), was a NED director 1983-1992, treasurer anno 1986, and vice chair 1987-1988.<sup>3</sup>

*"It would be terrible for democratic groups around the world to be seen as subsidized by the C.I.A. We saw that in the 60's, and that's why it has been discontinued. We have not had the capability of doing this, and that's why the endowment was created."*

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~ Carl Gershman (CFR 1993-), NED's founding president from 1983 to 2021. <sup>4</sup>

*"I agree with you that there is nothing to prevent an individual from exerting as much influence through his work in a private foundation as he could through work in the government or in many other kinds of organization."*

~ March 17, 1952 letter of Richard Bissell, Jr., the soon-to-be CIA deputy director of operations under Allen Dulles, to Milton Katz of the Ford Foundation and Carnegie Endowment. <sup>5</sup>

## The engine: key foundations

1. Annenberg Foundation
2. Arca Foundation
3. Bauman Foundation
4. Bill & Melinda Gates Fdn.
5. Bloomberg Philanthropies
6. Carnegie Corporation
7. Carnegie Institute for Science
8. Clinton Foundation
9. Daphne Foundation
10. Doris Duke Charitable Fund
11. Field Foundation
12. Flora Family Foundation
13. Ford Foundation
14. Fdn. for National Progress
15. Furstenberg Family Fdn.
16. Google Foundation
17. Hefner Foundation
18. Hewlett Foundation
19. Hochschild Foundation
20. Joyce Foundation (Obama)
21. Kellogg Foundation
22. Knight Foundation
23. Lannan Foundation
24. Lawrence M. Gelb Foundation
25. Libra Foundation
26. MacArthur Foundation (John)
27. MacArthur Fdn. (Roderick)
28. McKnight Foundation
29. Mellon foundations
30. Merck Family Fund
31. Merck Fund
32. Mott Foundation
33. NoVo Foundation (Buffett)
34. Nathan Cummings Foundation
35. National Endowment for Democracy
36. New World Foundation
37. Norman Foundation
38. Omidyar Network
39. Open Society Foundations (Soros)
40. Oxfam International
41. Packard Foundation
42. Park Foundation
43. Pew Charitable Trusts
44. Ploughshares Fund
45. Postcode Loterij (Doen Fdn.)
46. RiverStyx Foundation
47. David Rockefeller Fund
48. Rockefeller Brothers Fund
49. Rockefeller Family Fund
50. Rockefeller Foundation
51. Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors
52. Roy A. Hunt Foundation
53. Rudolf Steiner Foundation
54. San Francisco Foundation
55. Schumann Center (Bill Moyers)
56. Skoll Foundation
57. Stern Family Fund
58. Sunlight Foundation
59. Surdna Foundation
60. Threshold Foundation
61. Tides Foundation
62. Turner Foundation
63. Walton Family Foundation
64. Woods Fund (Barack Obama)
65. Zuckerberg Initiative / Facebook

Total combined assets (2017): roughly \$143 billion (apart from Google, Facebook and the Dutch Postcode Loterij). And there are at least two dozen other important ones.

## Defunct media



## In brief

On this site the reader can find about 100 articles with a total of 1.7 million words, not counting (fully written-out) sources, press reports, membership lists with biographies, and outside work. If the information is reorganized a little, it would be possible to publish it in about twenty 300 page books.

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1. 40s: Picture Mag. (PM)
2. 40s-50s: Der Monat
3. 50s: Perspectives U.S.A.
4. 60s: Ramparts magazine
5. 70s: CounterSpy
6. 80s: Covert Action Quarterly
7. 00s: TomPaine.com
8. 00s: Guerrilla News Network

### Magazines and radio

1. Extra! magazine
2. Harper's
3. In These Times
4. Mother Jones
5. National Public Radio (NPR)
6. Pacifica Radio
7. Public Radio International (PRI)
8. Rolling Stone
9. The American Prospect
10. The Nation
11. The New Republic
12. The Progressive

### Online news

1. AlterNet
2. Brave New Films
3. Business Insider
4. BuzzFeed
5. Consortium News
6. Counterpunch
7. Daily Kos
8. Democracy Now!
9. Disinfo.com
10. Free Speech TV
11. Huffington Post
12. Inst. for Non-Profit News
13. The Media Consortium
14. PBS
15. Salon.com
16. The Daily Beast
17. The Young Turks
18. Truthdig
19. Truthout
20. Vice Media
21. Vox Media
22. Washington Monthly

### Online news: international

1. The Guardian / The Observer
2. IPS
3. Moscow Times
4. NL: Bellincat.com
5. NL: Follow the Money
6. NL: Investigative Desk
7. NL: Nu.nl

### Online encyclopedias and "fact-checking" sites

1. AfricaCheck.org
2. Agencia Lupa (Brazil)
3. Chequedo.com (Argentina)
4. CMD: Sourcewatch, etc.
5. ColombiaCheck.com
6. ConservativeTransparency.org
7. Data & Society Research Inst.
8. Facebook
9. FactCheck.org
10. FactCheckEU.org
11. FollowTheMoney.org
12. Fair.org
13. Global Disinfo Index
14. Loonwatch.com (suspected)
15. Media Matters for America
16. Poynter Institute
17. Political Research Associates
18. Politifact.com
19. Privacy International
20. Rightwingwatch.org
21. Rightweb-irc-online.org
22. Snopes.com (self-financed)
23. StopFake.org (Ukraine)
24. WayBack Archive / Archive.org
25. Wikipedia

### Activist movements

1. Africa: Save Darfur (Sudan)
20. MoveOn.org



2. [Africa: Kony 2012 \(Uganda\)](#)
3. [Alliance for Global Justice](#)
4. [ACLU](#)
5. [ANSWER](#)
6. [Berkman Center / Internet](#)
7. [Cato Institute](#)
8. [CorpWatch.org](#)
9. [Courage Foundation](#)
10. [Equal Justice Initiative](#)
11. [Free Press](#)
12. [Global Citizen](#)
13. [Gun protest groups/marches](#)
14. [Innocence Project](#)
15. [Institute for Public Accuracy](#)
16. [Institute for Policy Studies](#)
17. [Indymedia](#)
18. [Iraq War: Uncovered film](#)
19. [Linux: Ubuntu](#)
21. [Mozilla Foundation](#)
22. [National Security Archive](#)
23. [NSA: Electronic Frontier Fdn.](#)
24. [NSA: Electronic Privacy Info Center](#)
25. [NSA: Freedom of the Press Fdn.](#)
26. [NSA: Stand With Snowden](#)
27. [NSA: The Intercept](#)
28. [NSA: The Tor Project](#)
29. [Occupy Wall Street](#)
30. [OWS: Anonymous](#)
31. [Other 98%](#)
32. [People for the American Way](#)
33. [Project Censored](#)
34. [Sundance Film Festival](#)
35. [TikTok: Gen. Z for Change](#)
36. [Union of Concerned Scientists](#)
37. [Voting: honest elections](#)
38. [Wikileaks](#)

### Green movement

1. [350.org](#)
2. [Captain Planet Foundation](#)
3. [Conservation Foundation](#)
4. [Conservation International](#)
5. [ClimateWorks Foundation](#)
6. [Earth Charter](#)
7. [Earth Day Network](#)
8. [Earth First!](#)
9. [Earth Liberation Front](#)
10. [Energy Foundation](#)
11. [Extinction Rebellion](#)
12. [Foundation for Gaia](#)
13. [Friends of the Earth](#)
14. [Global Witness](#)
15. [Greenpeace](#)
16. [Natural Resources Defense Council](#)
17. [Nature Conservancy](#)
18. [Rex Foundation \(Grateful Dead\)](#)
19. [Ralph Nader](#)
20. [Rainforest Action Network](#)
21. [Ruckus Society](#)
22. [Sierra Club](#)
23. [Sustainable Markets Foundation](#)
24. [Union of Concerned Scientists](#)
25. [Wilderness Society](#)
26. [World Resources Institute](#)
27. [Worldwatch Institute](#)
28. [World Wildlife Fund](#)

### New Religions Movement (fringe)

1. [Center for Contemplative Mind](#)
2. [Center for Process Studies](#)
3. [Cal. Institute of Integral Studies](#)
4. [Deepak Chopra Foundation](#)
5. [Esalen Institute](#)
6. [Inst. for Cooperation in Space](#)
7. [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#)
8. [Lindisfarne Association](#)
9. [Manitou Foundation](#)
10. [NXIVM sex cult network](#)
11. [PEAR / ICRL](#)
12. [Romero Institute \(Christic Institute\)](#)
13. [Round Table Foundation / Lab Nine](#)
14. [Stanford Research Institute \(SRI\)](#)
15. [State of the World Forum](#)

### Psychedelics

**Dedicated ISGP article:** [Psychedelics and elites.](#)

1. [Aya: Uniao do Vegetal](#)
2. [Aya: World Ayahuasca Conf.](#)
3. [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#)
4. [Beckley Foundation](#)
5. [Center for Cognitive Liberty](#)
11. [Harvard psych. project / Millbrook](#)
12. [Heffter Research Institute](#)
13. [Ibogaine lobby](#)
14. [MAPS](#)
15. [Reality Sandwich / Evolver](#)

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| 6. <a href="#">Cottonwood Research Fdn.</a>      | 16. <a href="#">Reset.me</a>          |
| 7. <a href="#">Erowid</a>                        | 17. <a href="#">Seva Foundation</a>   |
| 8. <a href="#">Ethnobotan. Stewartship Coun.</a> | 18. <a href="#">Weed lobby: NORML</a> |
| 9. <a href="#">Drug Policy Alliance</a>          | 19. <a href="#">Weed lobby: MPP</a>   |
| 10. <a href="#">Green Earth Foundation</a>       | 20. <a href="#">Weed lobby: other</a> |

### Psychedelics-science overlap

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|---|---|
| 1. <a href="#">Buckminster Fuller Institute</a> | 3. <a href="#">TED Talks</a>                  |
| 2. <a href="#">Macy Foundation</a>              | 4. <a href="#">TED Talks: Edge Foundation</a> |

### Extra: Cryptocurrency

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| 1. <a href="#">Bitcoin Foundation</a>               | 4. <a href="#">Ethereum / Vitalik Buterin</a> |
| 2. <a href="#">Vincent Briatore / The Allegiant</a> | 5. <a href="#">IOTA</a>                       |
| 3. <a href="#">Digital Currency Group</a>           | 6. <a href="#">Ameer Rosic</a>                |

### Individuals

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| 1. <a href="#">Saul Alinsky</a>           | 13. <a href="#">David Ray Griffin</a>  | 25. <a href="#">John D. Marks</a>         |
| 2. <a href="#">Noam Chomsky</a>           | 14. <a href="#">Morton Halperin</a>    | 26. <a href="#">Abby Martin</a>           |
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| 6. <a href="#">Francis Ford Coppola</a>   | 18. <a href="#">Arianna Huffington</a> | 30. <a href="#">John Podesta</a>          |
| 7. <a href="#">Barbara Ehrenreich</a>     | 19. <a href="#">Dahr Jamail</a>        | 31. <a href="#">Bernie Sanders</a>        |
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| 9. <a href="#">Richard Falk</a>           | 21. <a href="#">John Kiriakou</a>      | 33. <a href="#">Oliver Stone</a>          |
| 10. <a href="#">Buckminster Fuller</a>    | 22. <a href="#">Nick Kristof</a>       | 34. <a href="#">Howard Zinn</a>           |
| 11. <a href="#">Amy Goodman</a>           | 23. <a href="#">Norman Lear</a>        |   |
| 12. <a href="#">Sen. Mike Gravel</a>      | 24. <a href="#">Amber Lyon</a>         |   |

*"The next day, in Washington, the same arguments were made by other NSA [National Student Association] leaders to Sol Stern, who was writing the story [why its CIA relationship shouldn't be exposed]. They actually advanced the intriguing contention that such a disclosure would be damaging to the enlightened men of the "liberal" internationalistic wing of the CIA who were willing to provide clandestine money to domestic progressive causes."*

### Ramparts editor Warren Hinckle in 1974. <sup>6</sup>

*"I had all sorts of dirty tricks to hurt their circulation and financing. The people running Ramparts were vulnerable to blackmail. We had awful things in mind, some of which we carried off, though Ramparts fell of its own accord. We were not the least inhibited by the fact that the CIA had no internal security role in the United States."*

**CIA officer Edgar "Eddie" Applewhite about his 1967 operation against Ramparts magazine at the behest of Desmond FitzGerald. <sup>7</sup>**



## Initial questions



Part of the "liberal CIA" network.

It wasn't until 2014, while writing ISGP's *Cult of National Security Trolls* article, that I *really* began to notice the extent of the manipulation of the political and religious/spiritual *left* in society, largely by certain liberal Eastern Establishment families and individuals. I always could see it to

some extent, but for years on end I was bogged down in research dealing with the "traditional" CIA: drug, death squads, assassination, the neocon alliance starting in the late 1970s, and more.

But... what about "the left"? Even more so because the CIA leadership itself always seems to be much more liberal and globalist than the ultraright militants it loves to use around the world - not unlike a Rupert Murdoch owning Fox News. Well, the problem was, there was just never that much to be found.

Of course, huge amounts of (questionable) articles exist about Bilderberg, the Trilateral Commission, the CFR and "the globalists" running them, but... those are pro-corporate liberal elites. We know that they simply *must* control just about the entirety of the media and most western political parties - from the liberals to labor and the greeners; even the socialists - just based on the endless and very systematic open borders propaganda coming from all of these groups. It almost *appears* as if there's a CIA aspect to that control, but this turns out to be very hard to define, let alone prove.

However, if we skip the obviously globalist, big business, liberal elite elements for a second... what about all this really low-level, seemingly grassroots activism, from [psychedelic gurus of the 1960s](#) to the much more modern [Occupy Wall Street](#), [Anonymous](#), [Wikileaks](#) and [Edward Snowden](#), to all these relatively small "new left" media outlets? A lot of these elements do come across as propagandist, with most being as pro-open borders as Bilderberg elites.

And what about those strange activist sites of the early 2000s, when I was starting out with this type of research? Sites as [Indymedia](#) and [GNN](#)? What about "anti-establishment" left-wing political gurus as [Noam Chomsky](#) and [Oliver Stone](#)? Can they really lead us the way into the light? Chomsky's blatant denial of basic [JFK](#) and [9/11](#) questions is the reason that I hardly even bothered to read his work. It always surprised me how anyone ever could take him serious because of it. The same goes for Oliver Stone with regard to 9/11.

Most recently, I started to wonder what is up with all these strange ["antifa" street protests in favor of open borders](#), especially when Trump came onto the scene. They just never fit with the opinions of the people around me. In fact, I've never heard any white person in person voluntarily claim that Third World immigration is a good thing, or even a "neutral" thing, with at least in private people acknowledging they see little more than problems with it.

In early 2015 these were definitely questions in my mind, but I didn't really try to find answers to them. Still, I did start to notice more and more peculiarities. The first one was that alternative media outlet [Democracy Now!](#) on occasion receives major financing from the [Ford Foundation](#). At the time this blew my mind, because donations like these are very easy-to-spot proof that the government - or superclass - is financing supposedly independent opposition groups to the regular media. After all, the historical board of the Ford Foundation is very elite and deeply tied to the Rockefellers, the CFR and the CIA. In addition, a lot of the grants written by the Ford Foundation used to be on behalf of the CIA, similar to the Rockefeller Foundation and Carnegie Corporation.<sup>8</sup> Officially the ties with the CIA were cut, but the type of funding and the board members stayed the same.

The Democracy Now! financing reminded me of "rumors" that the similarly "anti-establishment" [The Nation](#) magazine also has ties to the superclass. After a little looking around, turns out it does: the Ford, Soros and Rockefeller Brothers Fund foundations all have poured their money in over the years. How strange.

Around the same time I ran into the [Drug Policy Alliance](#), an outfit with massive Eastern Establishment backing - from George Soros to George Shultz and everyone in between - that pushes not just [marijuana legalization](#), but also stimulates research into MDMA, DMT, ayahuasca, ibogaine, mushrooms and other psychedelics. While today ISGP has [a dedicated article on the history and elite ties of the psychedelics movement](#), mainly due to time constraints, at the time I did little with all this information, assuming for the time being that these ties and financing were incidental.

Actually, I *did* try to inform Joe Rogan about this last fact regarding the Drug Policy Alliance, considering his extreme interest in psychedelics, but that was about it. As usual, this effort fell on deaf ears. Rogan, as it turns out, transforms into an [extremely suspicious character](#) whenever conspiracy topics are brought up. This introduction is not the place to discuss this, but it's ironic that a year later Rogan actually invited Ethan Nadelmann, executive director of the Drug Policy Alliance and Soros agent par excellence, to his podcast for the first time. During the hours-long conversation, not a word was mentioned by either person of all the big establishment money behind the Drug Policy Alliance. It's one



of numerous instances that made me wonder to what extent the debate on the left is controlled by the superclass.

Questions and partial answers kept piling up throughout 2015 and 2016. Awaiting clarification, I actually couldn't finish more than half a dozen articles. In one I had to discuss superclass influence on the [environmental movement](#), in another the so-called [new religions movement](#), and in yet others topics as NSA domestic spying, [Occupy Wall Street](#), the ["new left" media](#), [psychedelics](#), professional skeptics, [George Soros](#), Jeffrey Epstein, Joe Rogan, or [crop circles](#). As already determined to a large extent in the 2014 [Cult of National Security Trolls](#) article, each and every time the same elite foundations and individuals appeared to be operating in the background, also while exploring these related subjects.

I briefly tried discussing this elite network in sections of ISGP's [Coast to Coast AM](#) and [Alex Jones](#) articles, but by early 2016 the situation had become really unmanageable. Apart from virtually duplicate content being generated throughout the site, it was clear that a ton of additional research and organizing still was needed. Really the only way to go was to create a separate oversight of whatever this network is. The result the reader can find here.

This page is not exactly an article in the traditional sense. It's more like a quick reference guide by presenting brief summaries of a vast range of organizations and, even more important, supplementing it with credible sources. It's also structured in such a way that updating - including the updating of other ISGP articles that tie into this oversight - is made as easy as possible.

This easy updating aspect turned out to be essential, because an endless amount of additions have been made since the first version of this oversight. The main problem is that the discussion of this network, and certainly in the manner that it is done here, has been a rather unique endeavor. I had to gather sources from *everywhere*, in many cases having no other choice than to manually crawl through annual reports and Form 990s in order to figure out who has been financing what. From there I would run into other foundations and organizations that needed checking. You're talking thousands of hours of research and writing at this point for ISGP's "liberal CIA" series.

## **"Liberal CIA" explained: controlled opposition aspect of the liberal Eastern Establishment**



In 2016, while studying the liberal "new left" establishment for the first time, I sometimes ran across insiders to the liberal foundation network who were talking about working with

Key financiers of the "liberal CIA" network. F.l.t.r.: [George Soros](#), [David Rockefeller](#), [Bill Gates Sr.](#), [Ted Turner](#). Bottom-row, from right: widow of [Walter Annenberg](#) and Brooke Astor, the widow of Vincent Astor. *"liberal CIA ... the best mafia you can deal with in the twentieth century"* <sup>9</sup>. Or you read about them appealing to the *"enlightened men of the liberal internationalistic wing of the CIA who were willing to provide clandestine money to domestic progressive causes."*<sup>10</sup>

Earliest history: Vincent Astor was a key founder of secretive private intelligence network *"The Room"* and *Walrus Club* pre-WWII, which liasoned with British intelligence chief Sir Stewart Menzies and spawned the OSS and CIA. Nelson Rockefeller was part of this network.

Subsequently, often from sources dating to later decades, I see these persons and their cliques flock around foundations as Rockefeller, Ford, Carnegie, Soros, Tides, Turner and others. Then I find that the first two of these foundations, along with USAID, back in the 1950s and 1960s took over CIA financing of the important America-Africa Institute in order to prevent potential negative backlash. <sup>11</sup> Next, as already mentioned, it turned out that the first three, known as the "Big Three" foundations, had a good portion of their total grant-making dictated by the CIA in the 1950s and early 1960s, until this was exposed and supposedly these foundations became "independent" from the CIA. <sup>12</sup>

Still later I run into obscure quotes of National Endowment for Democracy co-founders Allen Weinstein, Carl Gershmann, and former CIA director William Colby, all explaining how this foreign international-type NGO was literally founded to turn covert CIA financing into much less controversial overt "humanitarian" funding, also allowing much greater sums to be transferred all over the world. <sup>13</sup> It should be noted here that "foreign intervention" NGOs as the NED, National Democratic Institute, International Republican Institute, Freedom House, and USAID all have incredible close ties to the "liberal CIA" NGOs. This is not just in heavily overlapping funding, but also in the historical preponderance of CFR members on the boards. The ties between these foundation have actually been discussed in [ISGP's article on the CFR](#).

More and more all these endless little hints made me suspect that the Rockefeller family and their associates indeed *are* CIA. In fact, while updating this intro in 2023, the [Institute for Non Profit News](#) was discovered and added. Turns out it was founded in 2009 at the Rockefeller's Pocantico Center by a group of journalists *"to plan the future of investigative journalism"*. With the aid of the usual Soros, Ford and other "liberal CIA" foundations, the INN started pouring money into more than 400 *"independent news organizations"*, all with *"anti-racism"* as a core policy. That sounds very much like something the CIA would have been tasked to do at one point. And there are just endless examples of that.

Of course, evidence along these lines had been creeping up long before, but I never really attached establishment CIA operations to



the "new left", "alternative" media and anti-Wall Street activist groups pushing for social reform. I never even knew these top foundations were so deeply involved in this. It's such a sensitive issue really that it is not a surprise that Google, with the aid of western governments and the "liberal CIA" foundations, and operating through NGOs as the [Global Disinformation Index](#), have been cooperating in the manual downranking (read: censoring) of all conservative websites that, certainly since the Trump years, have increasingly been pointing out these "leftist" foundation ties. Even though they mainly focus on Soros, this is a sensitive issue. And they do on occasion expand beyond Soros.

Truth is, for the longest time, I was quite uncomfortable with the term "liberal CIA". Despite that, on a regular basis I kept finding evidence of its accuracy. For example, one late addition to this oversight is famous inventor and scientific theorist [Buckminster Fuller](#). At first glance, it sounds utterly ridiculous to label Buckminster Fuller "CIA". But I maintained these suspicions based on Fuller's involvement in the (Laurance Rockefeller-influenced) [Esalen Institute](#) and because he has been such an inspiration to various members that built the [psychedelic movement](#), not to mention the curious John Brockman of the [Edge Foundation](#) and [TED Talks](#)-tied annual Billionaires' Dinners. In the end, it's just a "gut feeling" based on a limited number of facts.

But, as usual, where there's smoke, there's fire. Months later I ran into the fact that Fuller's closest associate in writing a lot of his key work was E. J. Applewhite, a CIA covert operations officer who actually was assigned the job of undermining the (bizarre) left-wing [Ramparts](#) magazine. Apart from the fact that this is the gazillionth piece of evidence that the CIA has always been active domestically, and not exactly in a legal manner, it also clearly ties Fuller to the CIA.

Another few months later I find that Brendan O. Regan has been "*Research Coordinator for R. Buckminster Fuller*". There's no absolute proof, but looking at Regan's deep involvement in [SRI](#) and [IONS](#), as well as a number of statements that exist about him, he appears to have been an important CIA officer (or asset) and in any case was an important national security insider.

Yet another few months later I find that early board members of the Buckminster Fuller Institute have included Margaret Mead, whose [Macy Conferences](#) can be linked to the CIA's MKULTRA program, among other ties of hers; Norman Cousins, a [Pilgrims Society](#) member who founded the United World Federalists under the CIA's Cord Meyer; and Neva Rockefeller Goodwin, a daughter of David Rockefeller and future vice chairman of the [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#). Obviously, the Rockefeller family has been best friends with a number of past CIA directors, most notably the Dulles brothers, John McCone and Richard Helms.

So, what are we left to conclude here? Certainly that there is *something* going on here with Buckminster Fuller that we, the masses, have never been informed about. The same goes for all other persons, institutes and media outlets discussed here. There are all kinds of covert elite and national security/CIA overlaps. And, ultimately, shedding light on these anomalies is all that this oversight is trying to accomplish.

## Rockefellers and friends as "superclass CIA"

Actually, soon after the original version of this introduction here was done, I added chapters to ISGP's [Pilgrims Society](#) article, including [The Cold War Rockefeller CIA network](#), in which the CIA connections of the Rockefeller



family and their closest friends are summarized. Turns out, the family not only maintained friendships with CIA directors, secretaries of state, national security advisors and presidents, Nelson and especially David Rockefeller (and through him, certainly also Laurance Rockefeller) were briefed by CIA division chiefs on covert operations and actively fronted for the CIA in the anti-communist "Cultural Cold War". The same goes for most of their closest establishment friends (most of whom have been Pilgrims).

September 11, 2006: Fake debate about Pentagon-no-plane theories and the like between the [Loose Change](#) creators and [Popular Mechanics](#) representatives (both tied to ultraright CIA interests) on [Democracy Now!](#), a "new left" media outfit massively financed by foundations as Carnegie, Ford, MacArthur, Lannan, Soros, etc. Keep in mind, these debates usually are utterly realistic with "actors" having adopted a decades-long or even life-long cover-personality. I discuss this aspect in ISGP's [Cult of National Security Trolls](#) article.

In other words, for the longest time the CIA directorship and other key government positions involved in the oversight of the most secret operations actually were handed to key members of the liberal Rockefeller establishment, forming a kind of "superclass CIA" network that sat on top of the "bureaucratic CIA" - or even the Special Group, the CIA oversight body that fell under the national security advisor. Certainly not everyone agreed all the time (far from it), but a system was created in which proteges of political, banking and think tank elites invariably emerged as leading candidates for the exact same positions their mentors held. In this process, [the concept of a separate Democrat and Republican Party can be tossed overboard](#), because both fall under the Rockefeller-led globalist system operating through the CFR, Bilderberg and Trilateral Commission. This process was barely even interrupted with the November 2016 election of ["conservative CIA"](#) asset Donald Trump. Not only did Trump fail to do anything effective to stop Third World immigration, he too filled key cabinet posts with persons tied to Henry Kissinger, George Shultz and James Woolsey.

The ties of the Rockefellers and their friends to the CIA and

national security state, as well as the grooming process in establishment circles, is described in much more detail in ISGP's Pilgrims Society article. With the passing of David Rockefeller in March 2017, the era of Rockefeller globalization might be over. But the elite NGOs and liberal CIA foundations remain in place and are bigger than ever. This structure is so massive it's hard to even paint an accurate image in words.

### **1976 Church Committee: CIA loves elite foundations for cover**

In another huge coincidence - if we can even call it that at this point - it wasn't until early 2018, a solid two years after this article and everything above was written, that I ran into a very obscure part of the 1976 Church Committee report. Even today in 2018, I only found one obscure back-alley/data-dump link that includes the entire Church Committee report, including its foundation segment, and accessible for free. One assumes such a thing can only be due to the report's sensitivity. As for the foundation network, the report reads:

*"During the 1950s and 1960s, the CIA turned increasingly to covert action in the area of student and labor matters, cultural affairs, and community developments. ... The CIA subsidized, advised, and even helped develop "private" organizations that would compete with the communists around the world. ... [Many] were U.S.-based student, labor, cultural, or philanthropic organizations whose international activities the CIA subsidized. ...*

*"The philanthropic [CIA] fronts used prior to 1967 funded a seemingly limitless range of covert action programs affecting youth groups, labor unions, universities, publishing houses, and other private institutions in the United States and abroad. ... Support [was provided to, for instance] an international organization of veterans and an international foundation for developing countries [as well as] an organization of journalists and an international women's association. ... Agency funds were used to host foreign visitors [and] provide scholarships to an international cooperative training center at a United States university... The CIA assisted in the establishment in 1951 and the funding for over a decade of a research institute at a major American university. ...*

*"By 1967, when public disclosure of NSA [National Student Association]'s funding ... caused a major curtailment of these activities, interest in the major covert action efforts in these areas was already waning.*

*"There appear to be two reasons for this. First, there*



*was considerable skepticism within the CIA as to the effectiveness of this approach. ... Richard Helms [explained], "The clandestine operator ... is trained to believe that you really can't count on the honesty of your agent to do exactly what you want or to report accurately unless you own him body and soul."*

*"Second, it became increasingly difficult to conceal the CIA funds that supported these activities as the scale of the operations grew. By fiscal year 1967, for example, over \$3 million [\$22.5 million in 2018] was budgeted for youth and student programs and \$6 million [\$45 million in 2018] for labor. Most of the funds were transmitted through legitimate or "devised" foundations -- that is, fictitious entities established by the CIA.*

*"The use of philanthropic organizations was a convenient way to pass funds, in that large amounts could be transferred rapidly, and in a form that need not alert unwitting officers of the recipient organizations to their source. In addition, foundation grants bestowed upon the recipient the apparent "blessing" of the foundation. The funding pattern involved a mixture of bona fide charitable foundations, devised foundations and funds, [CIA] **"front men" drawn from a list of America's most prominent citizens, and lawyers representing undisclosed clients.***

***"The CIA's intrusion into the foundation field in the 1960s can only be described as massive. Excluding grants from the "Big Three" -- Ford, Rockefeller, and Carnegie -- of the 700 grants over \$10,000 given by 164 other foundations during the period 1963-1966, at least 108 involved partial or complete CIA funding. More importantly, CIA funding was involved in nearly half the grants the non-"Big Three" foundations made during this period in the field of international activities. In the same period more than one-third of the grants awarded by non-"Big Three" in the physical, life and social sciences also involved CIA funds.***

*"Bona fide foundations, rather than those controlled by the CIA, were considered the best and most plausible kind of funding cover for certain kinds of operations. **A 1966 CIA study explained the use of legitimate foundations was the most effective way of concealing the CIA's hand** as well as reassuring members of funded organizations that the organization was in fact supported by private funds."<sup>14</sup>*

Although it's a shame that the reports circumvents mentioning the exact level of CIA ties of the "big three" foundations, and also excludes the names of all organizations (including "publishing houses") the CIA was financing, this report remains quite

incredible. For starters, so many elements of this supposedly defunct CIA network are extremely recognizable in the modern world:

- ▶ There are the "big three": Rockefeller, Ford, Carnegie - to this day key foundations in this "new" "liberal CIA" network.
- ▶ There is the shared *"America's most prominent citizens"* component.
- ▶ While the focus is a little different today, we also see that all the same type of NGO and seemingly non-NGO organizations are being funded.
- ▶ Arguably today's foundation network is making use of a variety of fronts to channel or launder a portion of its grants through. A lot of major foundations have been financing more minor foundations or institutes, which in turn finance other, often relatively obscure, or controversial, groups. The [Tides Foundation](#), [Threshold Foundation](#), [Sunlight Foundation](#), and the [Alliance for Global Justice](#) are examples of this. The Proteus Fund is another candidate. It doesn't even have to be about controversy, such as with the Warren Buffett family's [NoVo Foundation](#) pumping multi-millions annually in the Nike Foundation and the [New World Foundation](#), the latter chaired by Hillary Clinton in the 1980s and more recently the recipient of financing from [Black Lives Matter](#) activist and singer [Beyonce](#). Today it is very common that foundation A is financing foundation B, with both making contributions to foundation or institute C. Much of this seems to be about creating the illusion of a more diverse funding base, making the situation look less conspicuous. Along that same line, it is basically the norm that major foundations switch places all the time with the institutes they finance. It seems very clear though that these grants are coordinated at a very high level.

To summarize, it looks as if today's modern "liberal CIA" network is an improved, more deniable version of the one first unearthed in 1967 and discussed more in-depth by the Church Committee in 1976. The foundations, supplemented with corporate financing in many places, are so large these days - with a good number of them focused on very overt "democracy-sponsoring" (i.e. coup-plotting) - that the CIA doesn't need to transfer black budget funds through them anymore. The Agency can just focus on... whatever it is they are focused on - which might well be the continued penetration of upcoming American businesses and foundations, western political parties, and any potential "alternative" media and activism networks. In this last instance, think [9/11 "Truth"](#), for example, or many elements of the conservative controlled opposition network, which only has very few foundations backing it. Somebody has to

pay all those John Birchers and conspiracy Nazis. [Alex Jones](#) and [Jeff Rense](#) are just two names that come to mind.



"Liberal CIA" foundations all have their own focus. Soros' [Open Society Foundations](#) and the [Ford Foundation](#) are heavily focused on [pro-Third World immigration](#) and [LGBTQ activism](#), especially against "populist" candidates. They are backed in this effort on occasion by the smaller [Carnegie Corporation](#) and the even smaller [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), with the Warren Buffett family's [NoVo Foundation](#), not listed here, strongly focused on the LGBTQ aspect. Soros is also very, very deeply tied to European leaders and the EU's leadership.

The [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#) is heavily focused on healthcare issues in Africa, in the process more subtly pushing for open borders from Africa to the First World. The [Rockefeller Foundation](#) also is strongly focused Africa, including the AIDS issue.

The relatively new [Omidyar Network](#) is involved in Africa, but also in the high-tech sector. Along with Soros, [Google](#), and [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), it supports [Wikileaks](#) and NSA whistleblower [Edward Snowden](#), as well as some of the groups revolving around them, such as the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#).

All of the above foundations are closely tied to the [Clinton Global Initiative](#), clearly showing the U.S. Democrat Party to be the favorite of globalists today.

Multi-billionaire foundations as [Hewlett](#) and [Packard](#), not listed here, are predominantly focused on environmental issues.

As for Soros, he is now spending up to a billion dollars a year undermining undesirable "populist" presidents all throughout the West, including Trump in the United States, and Eastern Europe - and has operations throughout the world, working alongside USAID, Madeleine Albright's National Democratic Institute, the National Endowment for Democracy and other NGOs. It is very much possible that Soros' entire Open Society Foundations network is loaded from top to bottom with (deniable) CIA agents. The Ford Foundation, at least in the United States, is very active along the same political lines - "anti-racism" and LGBTQ rights - and has been rumored to be an arm of the CIA for many decades at this point. Together, these two foundations alone are worth \$32 billion.

That \$32 billion was worth \$4.3 billion in 1967. If these foundations spent the minimum number of 5% of that, together they would be spending \$215 million back in 1967, over three times more than the CIA had trouble hiding back in those days. Then consider that all major "liberal CIA"

foundations today are worth about \$150 billion together, so back in 1967 these foundations - if they all would have existed with the wealth they have today - would have been spending a minimum of roughly \$1 billion annually.

Looking at these numbers, it seems clear why the Rockefeller network, with close friends as former CIA director Richard Helms, developed such an obsession with developing corporate and billionaire philanthropy. In recent years alone, much of Silicon Valley has been recruited, which is obvious just by looking at their extremely uniform political allegiances: they're all Democrat and all pro-Third World immigration - and the only "dissenter", Peter Thiel, is a billionaire Bilderberg steering committee member deeply involved in the financing of what appear to be controlled opposition networks. Creating such a giant network of

philanthropists makes sense if one wants to have a huge pool of money available that can be transferred to tightly-controlled research institutes, action groups and "alternative" media outlets that need it to survive - with the ability to hide these CIA-type donations within a larger pool of funds that seemingly go to perfectly legitimate philanthropic organizations.

That having been said, modern billionaire philanthropy is questionable business at best. Much of it comes down to social and media pressure and rich people preferring to spend money on pet projects (and reaping prestige while pretending not to care about that), and getting some additional positive media attention for their businesses in the process. Instead, it can be argued that it would be better if most of the funds locked in elite tax-exempt foundations are taxed and spent by national governments on roads, public transport, healthcare, social security and related programs to help the poor, the environment, border security (limiting Third World immigration), projects to increase the native white birth rate, and so much more. Private philanthropy has traditionally hardly existed in north-west Europe and, certainly before the problem of mass Third World immigration, have been the best-organized post-World War II societies in the history of the world. The U.S., on the other hand, with all its corporate philanthropy, has been the best example in the West of severe labor exploitation, huge income inequality, a huge lack of social and health care programs, and a terrible state of public transport. What we have here instead is that hundreds of millions of dollars that should have been taxed, are spent on attacking a democratically-elected president, Donald Trump.

Someone could counter with the argument that Trump is a huge problem, especially with regard to social programs and the environment. True, but at the same time there's quite a bit of evidence discussed elsewhere on ISGP that "populist" extremists as Trump are little more than controlled opposition assets - and that a lot of extreme "left-versus-right" bickering that is so typical of the U.S. (and increasingly more in Europe all of a sudden with the rise of "populism") actually is sponsored by the national security state, with a huge portion of the left-wing element being taken care of by major foundations. Maybe if this extremely large network of globalist "liberal CIA" NGOs didn't exist, or was much smaller, all of a sudden the CIA wouldn't have the capability anymore to keep this conservative controlled opposition element in our society under control. That's speculation, but what is fact is that the foundations discussed here absolutely play an overwhelming role in managing left-wing dissent in our society. And also that they most certainly are behaving like they are part of a private intelligence agency.

Ultimately, I suspect that the whole "liberal CIA" network initially



came together rather organically as a combination of genuine liberal ideas (but not necessarily socialist) within the Eastern Establishment and the need to satisfy and maintain an anti-communist left in the West. The core of this network early on was formed through the close relationship between David Rockefeller and CIA director Allen Dulles (whom David Rockefeller promised the Ford Foundation presidency if Dulles wasn't elected CIA director), Dulles' protege John McCone, and then Richard Helms. During this early period more and more CIA-linked conspiracies took place, including [CIA drug trafficking](#), the [1963 JFK assassination](#), and MKULTRA. Meanwhile, opposition arose to the Vietnam War, more and more alternative media outlets became available, and eventually the internet came along, followed by an ever-worsening Third World immigration crisis and the [9/11 event](#), both of which sparked huge new waves of government skeptics. It appears that with each step this elite network became more elaborate and sophisticated in managing dissent in western society. Arguably control over left-wing thinking has always been deemed the most important, because it is the most sophisticated and, due to urbanization, increasingly widespread, with Third World immigration being the primary obsession of the liberal superclass. Thus, the need for elaborate control and promotion of globalism at all levels of the left led to the build up of foundations that could be promoted by (the already controlled) media as independent. In contrast, right-wingers only need to be portrayed as a bunch of crazy, conspiracy-mongering bigots or hopelessly impractical isolationists. The CIA budget might be able to handle that. But it appears it couldn't handle managing the left all around the West and in various other places in the world. Thus, the "liberal CIA" foundations were built up.

However, where the CIA and its covert domestic arm begins and the NGO leadership ends is impossible to say at this point. We need to get much more detail on how people are recruited and who exactly is steering assets around, and where, including those contacting ISGP.

### **The "real CIA"**

The coincidences keep stacking up. Around the same time that I ran into the 1976 Church Committee report describing the CIA's fondness of using elite foundations - large or small - to launder its funds through, I also ran into a 1989 article series of Lyndon LaRouche's Executive Intelligence Review. EIR might not be the most ideal stand-alone source, but their description of the "real CIA" is just too relevant to pass over here. It is very unique in its detail and ISGP fully agrees with them - a conclusion reached independently:

*"The Anglo-American financial Establishment operates*

*principally through an octopus-like structure made up of think tanks, tax-exempt foundations, and law firms which, in turn, act to spawn civic movements, protest groups, political action committees, and even [pseudo-religions](#), as it suits their purposes. ...*

*"[This] "real CIA" [is] a vast octopus extending far beyond the compound at Langley, Virginia and penetrating many agencies of government, as well as most think tanks on behalf of private financier interests rather than any elected agency of government. ... The "real CIA" [is] running [a] vast social engineering operation against the American public...*

*"Back in the immediate postwar period, some Establishment "spooks," such as IBM founder Thomas "Pop" Watson argued that the covert operations function should be run exclusively through private agencies such as the major Anglo-American multinational corporations, banks, and law firms, as they had been prior to World War II.*

*"An uneasy compromise was struck, such that, even as the CIA was being established, parallel private agencies such as the Rand Corporation and the Ford Foundation were coming into being as well. From the outset, Rand, the Ford Foundation, and other foundations and think tanks were firmly under the top-down control of the "utopians," [Rockefeller globalists] whose vision of a postwar world federalist arrangement [global government with less powerful local authorities] was reflected in their sponsorship of the "post-industrial society" myth, the [ecology movement](#), the [New Age](#), and the [drug-rock counterculture](#).*

*"This world federalist faction has also been in the forefront of efforts to revive the Trust, a global power-sharing arrangement with Bolshevik Russia that had been attempted at the time of the Russian Revolution and up through Stalin's consolidation of power in the 1930s."<sup>15</sup>*

These comments were based on statements LaRouche was making in 1973, but the original quotes cannot be found at this point. The only thing available is that someone back in 1974 in EIR-predecessor magazine, the New Solidarity International Press Service, wrote that the "real CIA" is synonymous with the "Rockefeller-CIA cabal" and "CIA establishment"<sup>16</sup>, and that "blowing official CIA activities and personnel to cover the activities of the real CIA"<sup>17</sup> is quite common practice by this establishment.

EIR actually appears to have been the only alternative publication

to have picked up on the fact that the Eastern Establishment tried to form a privately-funded intelligence agency that would serve as the successor to World War II's OSS. Truman did not agree and played his part in seeing to the creation of the CIA in 1947. True, the CIA was founded and dominated by the Eastern Establishment as well, but at least it was set up as a federal apparatus. The original source for this privately-funded CIA network is a mainstream book from 1972 on the history of the OSS that was discussed in the Washington Post at the time. The book reads:

*"Private enterprise at first hoped to fill the void [of what would become the OSS successor]. One former OSS Deputy Director approached Thomas Watson of IBM with a business proposition. Why not form a private intelligence organization and offer its services on contract to the government? These two men raised the initial capital for the venture, but their efforts were in vain. The White House soon approved the creation of [the] Central Intelligence Agency."*<sup>18</sup>

This is a pretty amazing statement, especially in light of the fact that the unnamed OSS deputy director and Thomas Watson - a Nazi collaborator whose family members have been generational members of the Pilgrims Society, alongside the Rockefellers - had already raised the funds for this operation. Did IBM put up the money by itself? Or did Eastern Establishment friends as Nelson Rockefeller, Vincent Astor, Winthrop Aldrich, the Mellons and future top-level CIA officer Kermit Roosevelt help put up these funds? After all, as this author rediscovered, pre-World War II there existed ["The Room"](#) and [the Walrus Club](#) in New York City, which constituted a private intelligence network combining British intelligence, the American OSS - through OSS chief William Donovan and Pilgrim elitist David Bruce - and the elite families just mentioned (except Mellon). Whether or not something was secretly done with Thomas Watson's private intelligence network is impossible to say, but it most certainly should be clear that these elite interests did, in fact, form a kind of private intelligence network that is more secret than the CIA itself. As a matter of fact, it has never been exposed, despite copious amounts of evidence for its existence. "Liberal CIA", "conservative CIA" and conspiracy disinformation networks, including those aspects funded by Laurance Rockefeller, all point in that direction.

As for LaRouche's comment that the "real CIA" of Eastern Establishmentarians regularly exposes the official, bureaucratic CIA, that is an interesting statement to reflect on in light of all the New York Times, Washington Post and modern "new left" magazine exposés about right-wing CIA activities, from ties to the National Student Association in the 1960s, to domestic activity related to the anti-Vietnam War movement in the early 1970s, followed by MKULTRA, the Phoenix Project and other right-wing

CIA programs; to Iran-Contra and the BCCI in the 1980s, to Blackwater and extraordinary renditions right after 9/11. I certainly have noticed that quite a bit of CIA exposing has been done by otherwise very propagandist individuals and magazines with close links to foundations as Ford and Open Society (Soros). Thus it's a very odd game that is going on: much of the time things simply come down to "liberal CIA" exposing "conservative CIA" and vice versa. It's all posturing and screenplay - and the bigger picture is never revealed.

Zbigniew Brzezinski seems to have admitted this left-versus-right screenplay when he, with a triumphant expression on his face, explained back in 1989 on C-Span the criticism on his Trilateral Commission by members of the public:

*"In the mid 60s I was on the policy planning council of the Department of State. In 1960 I was marginally involved in the Kennedy campaign for the president's foreign policy brain trust. In 1968 I directed the foreign policy task forces for vice president [Hubert] Humphrey, who was running for the presidency. In 1972 I became director of the Trilateral Commission ... In 1976 I directed the foreign policy task forces for Jimmy Carter. Then I became [his] national security advisor for four years. ... In 1988, I was co-chairman with Brent Scowcroft and Henry Kissinger of the foreign policy task force of vice president Bush [who was running for president]. ...*

*"Not only did I run [the Trilateral Commission]. I helped to found and organize it with David Rockefeller. So if any of your viewers is conspiracy-minded, here is one of the conspirators. ... Look, the Commission operates openly. There's nothing secret about it. ...*

*"I encounter this [criticism that the Trilateral Commission "guides the foreign policy of this country"] all the time when I speak around the country. The cooks that pop up with this theory come either from the extreme, loony left-wing perspective; or the extreme loony right-wing perspective.*

*"If it's a loony right-winger [i.e., "conservative CIA" like [Alex Jones](#)], he will stand up and say, "You are a conspiracy people who want to impose a one world government and deprive us of our sovereignty."*

*"And if it's an extremely loony left-winger [i.e. "liberal CIA" like [Democracy Now!](#) or related], he'll stand up and say, "You are a conspiracy of rich capitalists who want to control the world for the sake of global profits."*

*"And that crazy outfit LaRouche started with the left*



*and swung to the right, for example, over the last 15 years."*<sup>19</sup>

The reader should really keep in mind that the left-versus-right debate is very, very easy to spot. Almost all "liberal CIA" assets have the exact same opinions. In the minority of cases that they don't support Clinton or Obama it is *always* in protest of "corporatism" and sometimes "militarism". And no matter what, they are always pro-Third World immigration. Those two elements basically are never touched, along with the green aspect. Some of the more radical "liberal CIA" assets are 9/11 "truthers". While they may not necessarily all push the bogus idea that [Flight 77 didn't hit the Pentagon](#) (an almost golden rule in 9/11 "Truth" circles), none of them have ever really gone into any detail about what exactly is wrong with the event. They just argue in favor of a new investigation.

Of course, it's possible to go into a lot of detail why the LaRouche organization - which is a little different from any other group, as also described by Brzezinski - simply is not credible enough to be mentioned here. That includes countless never-backed-up "Tavistock" and "Britain-did-it" claims in the articles just cited from. LaRouche's wife, Helga Zepp-LaRouche, and other leading light of the LaRouche organization, post-9/11 were involved in [Thierry Meyssan's Axis of Peace group](#), dominated by communists, extreme socialists, Holocaust deniers and, of course, 9/11-no-planers as Meyssan and others. Unsurprisingly, the LaRouche organization also virulently pro-Third World immigration and hates Trump - similar to virtual all media outlets and political parties in existence. In March 2016, Helga Zepp-LaRouche wrote:

*"The images of refugees at the Greek-Macedonian border are the reflection of the total inhumanity of the EU..."*

*"The monetarist paradigm is producing fascist movements, such as that of Donald Trump in the United States and Alternative für Deutschland in Germany. Here, a demonstration of 40,000 organized by the xenophobic, right-wing Pegida movement in Dresden, Germany."*<sup>20</sup>

Suddenly, the LaRouche organization lost all middle ground here. Fact is, the LaRouche organization has always been an unusual brand of leftist socialism. It could never really be branded "right-wing", but it is fascinating nevertheless that Brzezinski singled out the LaRouche organization at the time. That's generally reserved for controlled opposition groups.

Nevertheless, one can definitely make the case that a lot of old Executive Intelligence Review work, especially from the 1970s and 1980s, contains countless gold nuggets and accurate descriptions of elitist networks. For starters, almost no other conspiracy

publication ever described [Le Cercle](#) or the [1001 Club](#), not when EIR did it at least. EIR also gave information on various elites that to this day have only been "rediscovered" by ISGP through the ISGP's [Superclass Index](#). Also when discussing "conservative CIA" networks, it didn't take long for this author to once again find EIR being the only outlet to describe the left-right controlled opposition paradigm, complete with NGOs and individuals also under investigation by ISGP.

Credible or not, the only thing really important here is that in 1989 Executive Intelligence Review described the "real CIA" as an Eastern Establishment structure consisting of *"tax-exempt foundations [that] spawn civic movements, protest groups, political action committees, and even pseudo-religions..."* - while this is exactly what ISGP has been researching in this "liberal CIA" series of articles. It may not be wise to mention EIR here, but at the same time it might also be interesting for readers to have this additional perspective on what the "real CIA" actually might be.

Despite it being much less certain, EIR's claim of a *"power-sharing arrangement"* with Russia has also been included for a very specific reason. This because it seems to be next to impossible to escape the grasp of the "liberal CIA" network - even when moving abroad. For every "right wing" CIA conspiracy based on black budget or [drug money](#), there appears to be a foundation-backed "liberal CIA" one trying to counter it. Look, for example, at CIA support for Contra drug trafficking and death squads against the Sandinistas. When you look around in the elite foundation-backed "liberal CIA" network, it's possible to find many historic backers of the Sandinistas, generally all of them new agers, conspiracy disinformers, (black) civil rights activists, or later Third World immigration pushers (including Hillary Clinton and her long-time Rockefeller Foundation, Bilderberg and Trilateral Commission advisor Vernon Jordan, both at the [New World Foundation](#) in the 1980s). Some of them also have ties to foreign communist or Muslim leaders, who seem to be equally content to hold the line on conspiracy disinformation: Russia, Cuba, Venezuela, Iran and Malaysia's Mahathir Mohamed are four countries in this regard that come to mind. All that really is too much to discuss here.

So, without going into any additional detail, the CIA and "real CIA", or "superclass CIA", are very hard to define entities. It is no wonder then that people have been talking about a "shadow government", "the Illuminati" and the "New World Order" for a very long time. That alone is why ISGP sticks to the term "liberal CIA" for elite liberal foundation-backed propagandists - all with very similar globalist ideas - claiming to be "anti-establishment". The only way to make progress is to take things one step at a time and have clear definitions of what is being observed.

## CIA at home or abroad: infiltrate, disinform, polarize, destabilize



Soros, Buffett and Ford foundations-backed Women's March protest - with Charlize Theron and dozens of other leading actors.

Relevant information to the "liberal CIA" oversights keeps popping up over the months and years. I only found out about it in early April 2019, but in 1975 the Church Committee, set up to look into CIA abuses, published a report entitled *Covert Action in Chile: 1963-1973*.

Going through the report and making a point-summary of how the CIA penetrated Chilean society at every level and started "polarizing" and "destabilizing" it in preparation for the Pinochet coup, I couldn't help but notice the incredible parallels with what we see today in the West.

In fact, it is pretty much impossible to deny that what the NGOs, street protest groups, and media outlets - respectively funded by "liberal CIA" and "conservative CIA" foundations - are doing today, is *EXACTLY* what the CIA is known to have been doing in Chile in the early 1970s. Extremist positions being played off against one another on a daily basis through the media and activist groups has basically become the norm. Let's cite a number of passages from the report:

*"Various CIA projects [included the] backing of a group that supported anti-communist propaganda activities through wall posters attributed to fictitious groups, leaflet campaigns, and public heckling. ... Poster distribution and sign-painting teams... leaflets [and] picture books [were spread]. ...*

*"[This] 'scare campaign' contributed to the political polarization [in society] of the period. Themes developed during the campaign were [later] exploited even more intensely... The propaganda projects probably had a substantial cumulative effect over these years, both in helping to polarize public opinion concerning the nature of the threat posed by ... leftists. ...*

*"The CIA supported an anti-communist women's group active in Chilean political and intellectual life. [It was] splintering the non-Marxist Radical Party [and] supporting CIA-selected [political] candidates...*

*"Projects [of the CIA] had been conducted since the 1950's among peasants, slum dwellers, organized labor, students, and the media... Other assets funded under this project placed CIA-inspired editorials almost daily in El Mercurio, Chile's*

*major newspaper and, after 1968, exerted substantial control over the content of that paper's international news section."*<sup>21</sup>

What more is there to add? The parallels with what the "liberal CIA" and "conservative CIA" foundations have been doing are uncanny. We really should be hunting for reliable insider testimony as to what exactly is going on within today's "charitable" networks.

Back in 1977, a lot of information came out, largely through Watergate reporter Carl Bernstein, about "Mockingbird", or the "Mighty Wurlitzer": i.e., the CIA's cooperation with the New York Times, Washington Post, Time, CBS, ABC and other media outlets.

Generally the heads of these media corporations were close to the CIA leadership. On the other hand, it appeared that various media heads, such as Katharine Graham, were purposely not informed in any kind of official manner and looking away while the CIA was stacking their media outlets with reliable assets.

It appears that the same process is going on with many of today's activist foundations, NGOs and media outlets. If the CIA was involved in these (domestic) practices in the 50s, 60s and 70s, then why would they have stopped? Most likely the only thing they have done since then is to make things more deniable. The propaganda in the entirety of the media is just too tight, similar and systematic to *not* put forward the theory that some central, covert entity is orchestrating it, similar to Frank Wisner's good old "Mighty Wurlitzer".

Those interested in the [Church Committee report](#), might find the following point-summary of everything mentioned in it very helpful. In pre-Pinochet Chile, the CIA, under the oversight of Henry Kissinger's 40 Committee, was:

- ▶ backing an anti-communist wire service, starting in the 1950s.
- ▶ establishing covert liaisons with Chile's civilian and military intelligence services.
- ▶ covertly financing the Christian Democrat party of Eduardo Frei, Chile's president from 1964 to 1970.
- ▶ implementing covert action and financing during the 1964 elections in support of Frei involving the *"backing of a group that supported anti-communist propaganda activities through wall posters attributed to fictitious groups, leaflet campaigns,*



The Krassenstein brothers: prominent pro-LGBTQ, pro-open borders, anti-Trump Twitter trolls with 1.6 mln "followers" in mid 2019. They also founded anti-Trump "news" site hillreporter.com. Obvious "liberal CIA" suspects. Guess what? Sep. 2018-leaked private video of Brian Krassenstein: *"The resistance is a really good group of people. [But] of course, higher-ups pay us. Yeah, people pay us. They want us to help sow the division and to take over Trump's Twitter feed. ... They don't want Trump supporters to be seen in that."* Who are they? And who, in turn, are they representing?



*and public heckling."* Apparently, this CIA-backed campaign involved an *"important part"* of the 1964 presidential elections.

- ▶ implementing covert action from about 1963 until its exposure in 1967 to increase Christian Democrat support and anti-communist sentiment among *"peasants and slum dwellers"*. Not considered effective.
- ▶ running an NGO in Santiago to compete with the Marxists in aiding the poor 1963-1969. The project was terminated after the asset in charge refused to *"use [it] on a large scale to deliver votes in the 1969 and 1970 presidential elections."* Not considered effective.
- ▶ infiltrating labor unions starting in 1964 to counter communist-oriented ones. Not considered effective.
- ▶ providing covert financing in the mid 1960s of an *"anti-communist women's group active in Chilean political and intellectual life."*
- ▶ providing covert financing to the anti-communist right wing of the Radical Party in 1967. This wing lost and as a result set up its own party, Radical Democracy, in 1969. This may have been the objective of the CIA as well, because in the run up to the 1970 elections it was working on *"splintering the non-Marxist Radical Party..."*
- ▶ providing (successful) covert financing of a dissident splinter group of Allende's Socialist Party that split the vote in the March 1969 congressional elections.
- ▶ backing *"a right-wing weekly newspaper"* during and after Allende's presidential campaign.
- ▶ funding *"an asset"* who produced radio shows that attacked left wing parties while *"supporting CIA-selected candidates."*
- ▶ infiltrating Chile's leading newspaper, El Mercurio, from the mid 1960s on, to produce daily anti-Allende editorials and news reports. The business section in particular was also read widely throughout Latin America. Newspaper assets were receiving direct instruction/suggestion from the CIA station in Chile on what to write.
- ▶ in general, working to *"polarize public opinion concerning ... communists and other leftists..."* through media and activist propaganda.
- ▶ running *"spoiling operations"* against Allende involving *"the use of virtually all media within Chile"* to propagandize the idea that *"an Allende victory [would lead to] violence and Stalinist repression."*
- ▶ disseminating *"black propaganda ... to sow dissent between Communists and Socialists"* in the run up to the 1970 elections.
- ▶ producing *"hundreds of thousands of high-quality ... posters and leaflets [and] picture books"* and setting up *"sign-painting teams"*, all aimed against Allende in the 1969 and 1970 elections.

- ▶ creating "a newsletter mailed to approximately two thousand journalists, academicians, politicians, and other opinion makers."
- ▶ advising ITT, of which former CIA director John McCone was a board member, on how to covertly pass \$350,000 to Allende opponent Jorge Alessandri, a former right-wing president of Chile who partially embraced Pinochet.
- ▶ advising "other U.S. businesses" (Pilgrims Society-dominated Anaconda Copper would be among them) on covertly providing another \$350,000 to Alessandri.
- ▶ providing over \$7 million to Allende opposition groups after he became president in 1970. This was used to buy media and radio station for opposing political parties, continue the existing propaganda campaign, foment strikes and build a large, unified front against Allende.
- ▶ directly (and indirectly) funding the paramilitary Patria y Libertad "in an effort to create tension [under Allende] and a possible pretext for intervention by the Chilean military."
- ▶ certainly indirectly funding the Rolando Matus Brigade, another anti-Allende paramilitary group.

Ironically, days after running into and summarizing the above Church Committee report, totally unrelated I scanned David Rockefeller's 2002 *Memoirs* for any mention of the War on Terror or Osama bin Laden. No success there, but the word "terror" did lead to a section of the book where Rockefeller talks about El Mercurio, Chile's dominant CIA-



"penetrated" newspaper from the Church Committee report mentioned above. In a fascinating series of admissions, Rockefeller wrote:

Pinochet: hated by "liberal CIA"; loved by "conservative CIA". The Rockefeller? Right in the middle.

*"Allende, an avowed Marxist and leader of the Chilean Socialist Party, campaign in 1970 on a platform of radical land reform, the expropriation of all foreign corporations, the nationalization of banks, [putting] his country firmly on the road to Socialism. In March 1970, well before the election, my friend Augustin (Doonie) Edwards, publisher of El Mercurio, Chile's leading newspaper, told me that Allende was a Soviet dupe... If Allende won, Doonie warned, Chile would become another Cuba, a satellite of the Soviet Union. ...*

*"Doonie's concerns were so intense that I put him in touch with [Nixon national security advisor, 40 Committee chair, and secretary of state] Henry Kissinger. I later learned that Doonie's reports confirmed the intelligence already received from official intelligence sources, which led the Nixon*

*administration to increase its clandestine financial subsidies to groups opposing Allende."*<sup>22</sup>

This tie actually is not too surprising, considering David Rockefeller already has been identified as [a chief lobbyist of CIA intervention in Chile](#) at the time, in no small part through his Americas Society. That having said, how often in this article and others has ISGP argued that [David Rockefeller was CIA](#)? Quite often. And here we have another example.

The Church Committee already explained that the propaganda put out by CIA-controlled publications, politicians and action groups about Allende being the next communist dictator were just that... propaganda. They were very much overblown. As discussed in ISGP's "[conservative CIA](#)" article, this does not mean that Allende's economic policies would have worked, but the CIA-backed Pinochet coup, soon leading to [Milton Friedman-devised neoliberal "shock therapy"](#) (Friedman was equally tied to David Rockefeller through the "right-wing" Chicago School), most definitely was strongly tied to the interests of U.S. big business.

Once again it's an interesting question why the various Rockefeller foundations have funded so many "new left" causes over the decades, most of whom identify with the Allende cause, while the Rockefellers and friends have been tied to a range of big business-linked CIA coups.

### ***Google: "WH and State Dept. support [to do what] CIA cannot..."***

As explained several times before, new chapters have been added to this "liberal CIA" article on a chronological basis to demonstrate how this author time and again is bumping into the same type of information. Here is yet another example.

Both [Google](#), [the company](#), and [Google.org](#), otherwise known as the Google Foundation, have been part of this "liberal CIA" oversight since 2016. Google might not have as wide a focus as the [Ford Foundation](#), the [Carnegie Corporation](#), the various [Rockefeller foundations](#), or [Soros' Open Society Foundations](#), but its "grassroots" activism funding does overlap here and there with these "liberal CIA" foundations. Examples that have been mentioned include the [Sunlight Foundation](#), the [Poynter Institute for Media Studies](#), [Wikipedia](#), the [Wikileaks-linked Bureau of Investigative Journalism](#) and the [Tor Project](#), the [Berkman Kleinman Center for Internet & Security \(Berkman Center\)](#) and the [Center for Democracy and Technology](#). As can be seen, Google focuses a lot on internet-related NGOs.

It is quite well known that Google is a company that has been very supportive of the Democrat Party since at least the late 2000s. Still,

digging into these ties in preparation for [a potential lawsuit against Google](#), it still was quite shocking to observe just how close these ties have grown, and how quickly. Google's long-time CEO (now through Alphabet), Eric Schmidt, has been very close to the Clintons and Obamas, their campaign managers, served as a de facto campaign manager, and had a very deep and personal relationship with the Obama White House. It's no surprise then to see just how extreme Google, through its search engine and through YouTube, is with censoring conservatives and teaching its AI search algorithms along social justice lines.



Rhodes Scholar and "retired" State Department employee Jared Cohen and Google CEO Eric Schmidt, the founders of Google's Jigsaw Think/Act Tank, at the CFR in 2013.

Google's ties to the Obama White House actually go deeper than a mere political-economic alliance. This author didn't realize this until June 29, 2019, upon reading an October 23, 2014 article of Newsweek (of all the publications)

entitled *Assange: Google Is Not What It Seems*. In the article, Assange describes a June 2011 meeting with Google CEO Eric Schmidt and Schmidt's ally Jared Cohen. Schmidt had just become a Bilderberg steering committee member and would join the Trilateral Commission in 2015. Already since 1999, two years before being appointed Google CEO, Schmidt was a founding director of the New America Foundation, an NGO with deep ties to the David Rockefeller clique and "liberal CIA" financing. Schmidt's then-girlfriend, Lisa Shields, the long-time vice president of Global Communications and Media Relations of the Council on Foreign Relations, tagged along with him to Assange.

As for Cohen, when he met Assange with Schmidt, he only had just come over to the newly-founded Google Ideas / Jigsaw think tank from the State Department, where, under Bush, he initially advised secretary of state Condoleezza Rice - George Shultz's chief protegee; and then, until 2010, Hillary Clinton under Obama. A Rhodes Scholar, today Cohen is a CFR member and can be found as a council member at Stanford's [Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies \(FSI\)](#), where, at least a decade ago, an International Advisory Council existed with close David Rockefeller names on it as George Shultz, John Whitehead and Paul Volcker, as well as Stephen Bechtel Jr. and a number of international Bilderberg names. Obama's future national security advisor, principal protegee of top Democrat superclass member Madeleine Albright, was a regular advisor at the FSI in the 2000s.

Cohen was accompanied by Scott Malcomson, a foreign editor of New York Times Magazine from 2004 to 2011, tasked with editing a book Schmidt and Cohen were working on together at the time.



Three months later, according to Assange, Malcomson joined the State Department as *"the lead speechwriter and principal advisor to [Obama's national security advisor] Susan Rice"*. In addition, from 2013 to 2015, Malcomson, a CFR member, was employed as director of communications for [George Soros' International Crisis Group](#). After that, he became a fellow of the "liberal CIA" Carnegie Corporation and the liberal superclass-tied [New America Foundation](#), which is where Google CEO Eric Schmidt was a founding director in 1999, two years before his appointment as Google CEO. The Rockefeller Foundation, Eric Schmidt, the Bechtels, Bill Gates, Soros' Open Society Institute, etc. all have been major financiers of the NAF, with Soros' son, Jonathan, becoming of the directors in the late 2000s.

The reader probably gets the point that the individuals knocking on Julian Assange's door in 2011 represented the absolute elite of the elite. Most important though is that Google featured in leaked Stratfor documents of 2011, which Assange made reference to in his Newsweek article. In them, Stratfor's Fred Burton can be found having communicated in an *"internal use only"* email:

*"GOOGLE is getting WH [Obama White House] and State Dept. support & air cover. In reality, they are doing things the CIA cannot. ... Google [has a] covert role in fomenting up-risings, to be blunt. The US Govt can then disavow knowledge and GOOGLE is left holding the shit bag. ...*

*"Cohen [was/is] working for the State Dept and WH to support Arab regime changes."*

ISGP has earlier found the Stratfor leaks useful in relation to information on Russian oligarch and mafia involvement in drug trafficking. The mainstream media has also made reference to its documents regularly. Still, to be thorough, below an extensive screenshot can be found of the relevant Stratfor communications. In them, Google CEO Eric Schmidt and Google's security director Marty Lev are mentioned as the sources for his information.

**Re: GOOGLE & Iran \*\* internal use only - pls do not fo**

Released on 2012-03-14 22:00 GMT

Email-ID	1121800
Date	2011-02-27 15:31:56
From	<a href="mailto:burton@stratfor.com">burton@stratfor.com</a>
To	scott.stewart@stratfor.com, secure@stratfor.com

Re: GOOGLE & Iran \*\* internal use only - pls do not forward \*\*

GOOGLE is getting WH and State Dept. support & air cover. In reality, they are doing things the CIA cannot do. But, I agree with you. He's going to get himself kidnapped or killed. Might be the best thing to happen to expose GOOGLE's covert role in foaming up-risings, to be blunt. The US Govt can then disavow knowledge and GOOGLE is left holding the shit bag.

scott stewart wrote:

> Cohen might end up having an accident if he is not careful. This is not  
> child's play.

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Fred Burton [mailto:burton@stratfor.com]

> Sent: Sunday, February 27, 2011 9:28 AM

> To: Secure List

> Subject: GOOGLE & Iran \*\* internal use only - pls do not forward \*\*

> \*\*\* PLS DO NOT FORWARD -- SOLE SOURCE

> \*\* Extracted from an internal email to a senior Google Executive. The  
> msg is from Jared Cohen (the former policy appointee @ State) and  
> discusses Cohen's plans on meeting w/Iranians.

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> I wanted to follow-up and get a sense of your latest thinking on the  
> proposed March trip to UAE, Azerbaijan, and Turkey. The purpose of this  
> trip is to exclusively engage the Iranian community to better understand  
> the challenges faced by Iranians as part of one of our Google Ideas  
> groups on repressive societies.

> Here is what we are thinking:

> Drive to Azerbaijan/Iranian border and engage the Iranian communities  
> closer to the border (this is important because we need the Azeri

Date	2011-02-14 16:25:24
From	burton@stratfor.com
To	gfriedman@stratfor.com, scott.stewart@stratfor.com

Re: GOOGLE's Jared Cohen update

Marty Lev, the security director and Eric Schmidt the CEO (GOOGLE) (sources)

George Friedman wrote:

> We need your sources classified in our system. I have no idea who this  
> source is, where he is located or how reliable he is. You have  
> fantastic and invaluable sources but you have to get with Stick to  
> build them into our system. Otherwise we can't make good use of them.  
> Please get together on this guys.

> On 02/14/11 09:17 , Fred Burton wrote:

>> \*\* Note comment about Cohen. The inference is relative to Cohen working  
>> for the State Dept and WH to support Arab regime changes.

>> Did C go into Gaza? Thanks

>> ----- Original Message -----

>> No we told him not too. He's not happy but accepting of it. Also,  
>> thinking I may be on the right track about him despite his denials.

>> I will call you Wednesday to discuss more

In his Newsweek article, Assange provided a little addition detail  
on Jared Cohen's activities:

*"[Jared Cohen] befriended Eric Schmidt as they together surveyed the post-occupation wreckage of Baghdad. ... Only a few months before he met with me, Cohen was planning a trip to the edge of Iran in Azerbaijan to 'engage the Iranian communities closer to the border,' as part of a Google Ideas' project on 'repressive societies.' ...*

*"State Department cables released as part of Cablegate reveal that Cohen had been in Afghanistan in 2009, trying to convince the four major Afghan mobile phone companies to*

*move their antennas onto U.S. military bases. In Lebanon, he quietly worked to establish an intellectual and clerical rival to Hezbollah, the "Higher Shia League." And in London he offered Bollywood movie executives funds to insert anti-extremist content into their films, and promised to connect them to related networks in Hollywood."*

This information is interesting for a number of reasons:

1. An article on the Daily Mail about this covert operations connection of Google was [absolutely dominated by vicious, anti-Assange trolls](#). Similarly, this information wasn't greeted with much enthusiasm on Reddit. It appears this information is quite sensitive. And also reveals another problem: the danger of online trolls, especially as AI technology (which Google is an industry leader in) increases in sophistication.
2. It reinforces/confirms the idea that private foundations and corporations - in this case Google - are used as conduits for government operations that traditionally were reserved for the CIA, or possibly official State Department ambassadors.
3. We can tie control over these operations back to the [top of the superclass](#), from Madeleine Albright/Susan Rice to George Shultz/Condoleezza Rice and maybe even Zbigniew Brzezinski/Barack Obama. In fact, Google's Eric Schmidt became a Bilderberg steering committee member not long after he became Obama's closest big business ally.
4. We can see how the operations of Jared Cohen and Google's Eric Schmidt on behalf of the Obama White House strongly overlap with Hollywood, most notably the alliance between [John Prendergast](#), the former National Security Council Africa expert who started working for Soros' Open Society Foundations, and Hollywood stars as [George Clooney](#), [Brad Pitt](#), [Matt Damon](#) and Angelina Jolie. If Cohen, on behalf of this Obama-superclass network, basically has been bribing Bollywood into pushing globalist/open border propaganda, that strongly confirms this network's deep involvement in [subverting Hollywood](#) as well.

The role of the CIA remains a bit of mystery though. The more you look at it, the more you have to conclude it's little more than a bureaucratic institution that can be used by the liberal superclass - always in control of the highest cabinet positions - in exactly the same manner it can use the State Department, private corporations, the media, or NGOs to run its operations through. It does seem quite obvious, however, though, that the capabilities and the expertise of the CIA are used in some way to infiltrate and control the highest echelons of our society. The details of how this

works, for the time being they remain a mystery.

## HP tied in with the CIA? George Soros too?

Not just Google, but the "liberal CIA" [Hewlett Foundation](#) and [Packard Foundation](#) can also be tied to the CIA. And not just the regular CIA, but extremely questionable aspects. Enter Robert Booth Nichols, notorious for having been a close contact of journalist Danny Casolaro in the year before [Casolaro's controversial death](#).

Nichols had major yakuza and American mafia ties in the 1980s. However, from the age of 22, so from around 1966-1967, Nichols already was working for the CIA. This came out in December 2008 when Nichols was questioned about his ties to wealthy con man Sam Israel III and why he never paid income tax. Also a number of elite ties are noteworthy. In his testimony he explained he had had conversations about not having to pay tax as a (mafia-tied) covert operative with David Packard and Hewlett-Packard's security chief. Furthermore, he pointed fingers at George Soros as being a person that can give highest-level cover in shady financial deals:

*"I worked for parties that claimed to be with or stated they were with U.S. intelligence [since] when I was approximately 22... One of said the Central Intelligence Agency, another said military intelligence... The first [assignment] was ... to speak with a woman who stayed at the Surf Rider Hotel and find out why she was in Honolulu and who she was seeing and have cocktails with her, if possible. [Later] a trip to Australia to see who ... were [representing] anti-American interest in an area that was formally an R&R location, Sydney, for U.S. Forces. ... Sometimes they gave me 5,000, sometimes 25,000. ...*

*"I have been told by various people [to not pay] taxes. ... I would be told what to pay taxes on. ... I have discussions with this [about not paying tax] with Adrian Perry, Admiral [in Hawaii]. ... I have had discussions with it with James Hacker, worldwide chief of security, Hewlett-Packard; discussions with David Packard of Hewlett-Packard. I have had discussions with it with multiple other parties. ... All of these people told me that I was to not in any way disclose what I was involved in and the things that I was paid for and that included not filing taxes. ...*

*"From 2004 to today I have basically lived off the funds that I made from Sam Israel [that year]. [My job was] to obtain a sealed box ... from the Chinese. ... It had to be a hundred million dollar box [and reportedly involved a \$250 million treasury note]... I believe they are obligations... [During the discussions with various henchmen] I said, ... "This type of*

*business could not proceed in any way, I have been told, unless you are dealing at the absolute pinnacle or highest level because of certain measures that are taken for plausible deniability on the obligations, deniability." So he said to me George Soros -- and that's the only name I remember, but several names..."<sup>23</sup>*

## "Liberal CIA" managing Brazilian governments

Jair Bolsonaro was the infamous "alt-right" president of Brazil from 2019 to 2022, and had all the hallmarks of being "conservative CIA", down to his "Chicago Boy" campaign advisor and finance minister, Paulo Guedes. That is for ISGP's "[Conservative CIA](#)" article to address though.

In Brazil, Bolsonaro is considered the polar opposite of Lula de Silva, Brazil's "leftist" president from 2003 to 2010, and again from 2023. "Lula", a former union chief, did many admirable things for his country. Continuing modest neoliberal economic policies of his predecessor, Fernando Henrique Cardoso (1995-2002), he set out to redistribute Brazil's rapid economic growth of the 2000s to the lower classes, lifting between 20 and 30 million Brazilians out of poverty and protecting the Amazon from mining and agricultural exploitation. When he handed the government to his party ally, former Marxist terrorist-militant <sup>24</sup> Dilma Rousseff, in December 2010, he had no less than an 87% approval rating. <sup>25</sup>

Da Silva has a secret though, and it does not involve the occasional kickbacks from private interests to leading members of his party, which led to the impeachment of Rousseff in 2016. No, it involves "liberal CIA" and globalism ties that manipulate his policies in the exact same manner as they are doing in the West. Cardoso introduced some of the first "anti-racist" measures, but Da Silva took it to a whole new level. Here is a list of some of his measures - and elite ties - along the way:

1. In January 2003 "Lula" visited [Davos](#) for the first time <sup>26</sup>, attended annually by anything from George Soros to IMF and World Bank representatives.
2. On September 25, 2003, Lula gave a speech to the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) in New York City. <sup>27</sup>
3. Also in 2003 his government created the Ministry of Racial Equality, since then always headed by a minority.
4. In 2004 his government created the Secretariat of Citizenship and Cultural Diversity within the Ministry of Culture, that *"among other things, funded community centers and sought to make police officers and other law enforcement officials more friendly to LGBTQ+ and intersex people."*<sup>28</sup>



5. Also in 2004 he set up the 'Brazil without Homophobia'-campaign.<sup>29</sup>

6. In 2010 his government, through the Ministry of Racial Equality, sponsored the "Racial Equality Statute", from which *"senators removed provisions for racial quotas in universities and businesses"* due to it being too much in one step.<sup>30</sup> However, at this point already, *"dozens of Brazilian universities recently adopted racial quotas for negros"*<sup>31</sup>, making one very interested in seeing who the university donors are, as well as the those funding the student protests that similarly were going on. As we shall see, foundations as Ford, Soros and Omidyar have been very active in Brazil along these lines.

Fascinatingly, it was 2019-2022 "alt right" / "conservative CIA" Brazil president who already in 2009 was cited on this issue in the international press as one of the few congressmen crusading against these race quota measures, even taking legal measures. Among the things Bolsonaro argued:

*"What are you going to say to a teenager who goes to do a university entrance exam and gets a high mark, but doesn't get through, but another teenager has passed with a much lower mark because they have a dark skin? What would be the legacy of that for future generations?"*<sup>32</sup>

7. In 2012 Lula's successor and party ally, Dilma Rousseff, the former Marxist terrorist, still pushed through racial quotas in Brazilian universities. The ruse was that state school students should get 50% of the university spots, because (predominantly white) private high school students are usually "better prepared" for university. However, the spots would be *"distributed among black, mixed race and indigenous students according to the racial make-up of each Brazilian state."* This policy would only be in place for 10 years, but we all know that that is not the way that things will go.<sup>33</sup> Before the government rammed through these changes, all the usual "grassroots activism"<sup>34</sup> and "debate" took place in Brazil, the main arguments always being that Brazil should *"feel guilty about having been the world's biggest slave importer"*<sup>35</sup> and *"black people just magically have low social economic status."* Call the last citation a paraphrase.

8. In 2018, Rousseff, who was successfully impeached over corruption charges in 2016 with widespread support from the Brazilian population, was allowed to do a surprisingly uncritical "lefty" interview with "liberal CIA" outlet

[Democracy Now!](#) - with both being very much criticized over it by ordinary citizens.<sup>36</sup>

9. In December 2022, after once again being elected president, Lula appointed a black, female "minister of racial equality" that was the sister of Marielle Franco<sup>37</sup>, the black feminist LGBTQ activist and socialist politician who had been assassinated in 2018 by what strongly appears to have been a conspiracy by right-wing elements of Brazil's state security and military police.<sup>38</sup>

Finding this odd and looking deeper, it turns out that way back in 2007, Franco worked as an intern in the "project monitoring and evaluation team" of the [BrazilFoundation](#).<sup>39</sup> This is not a "Brazilian" foundation at all. It's headquartered in the United States, with members of the BrazilFoundation's board including Brazilian representatives of JPMorgan Chase, Goldman Sachs, UBS, HSBC, Citigroup, Boeing, Bear Stearns, Coudert Brothers, Credit Suisse, Lehman Brothers and BlackRock.<sup>40</sup> The [Ford Foundation](#) provided the BrazilFoundation with \$350,000 in 2007<sup>41</sup>, and president and CEO of the BrazilFoundation, at least anno 2019, Rebecca Tavares, has a history at the [MacArthur Foundation](#), Levi Strauss and Ford Foundation, all major "liberal CIA" funders.<sup>42</sup>

10. In January 2023 Lula and two cabinet ministers, finance minister Fernando Haddad and the environmental minister, went to Davos again. Here Haddad met with directors of the IMF and Meta/Facebook, with the Saudi investment minister, due to Saudis looking to invest in Brazil; with Ian Bremmer, to be found at such places as the [Bloomberg New Economy Forum](#) advisory board with Henry Kissinger; and also with Mark Malloch Brown and Alexander Soros about "*an agenda more focused on environmental issues and democratic issues ... without giving further details*." The environmental minister also met with Alexander Soros.<sup>43</sup>
11. On May 5, 2023 finance minister Haddad again met representatives of [Soros' Open Society Foundations](#), this time in Brazil.<sup>44</sup> At this point the foundation was pouring about \$20 million a year into various Brazilian action groups. The biggest recipient at that point was the Instituto Clima e Sociedade / Climate and Society Institute<sup>45</sup>, with its 2018-founded 'Marielle Franco Working Group (GTMF)' fighting for "*racial equity and the acceleration of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) initiatives*".<sup>46</sup> The [Hewlett Foundation](#), IKEA Foundation and Oak Foundation are among its other

institutional funders, with the [Mott Foundation](#) listed as a project funder.<sup>47</sup> Another Soros-funded action group was the 2019-founded Instituto de Referencia Negra Peregrum / Peregrum Black Reference Institute<sup>48</sup>, focused on *"the black and peripheral population, with and through black movements... to transform public policies and people towards an anti-racist society."*<sup>49</sup> Other top financiers here are the [Ford Foundation](#), Luminate, which is part of the [Omidyar Network](#); the OAK Foundation and Volvo Brasil.<sup>50</sup>

The Ford Foundation has been operating along these lines for a long time in Brazil. It has made regular donations, for example, to 'Geledes: Instituto da Mulher Negra' (Geledés: the Black Women's Institute).<sup>51</sup> Founded in 1988, it instantly targeted the *"Brazilian black youth [part of] the Hip Hop Movement in São Paulo"* and *"contributed to the deepening of the racial discussion with the leaders of the Movement."*<sup>52</sup> Some would argue the Ford Foundation, on behalf of the CIA, was activating and radicalizing Brazil's black youth, similar to what it has been doing in the United States and European countries, seemingly even playing a role in glorifying gangsterism.

We can find all kinds of additional ties of the Ford Foundation to Brazil's black activists groups: the Instituto Brasileiro da Diversidade (IBD)<sup>53</sup>, founded in 2005, was set up to combat the *"inadequate representation of black people, women and people with disabilities [within] the 500 Largest Companies in Brazil."*<sup>54</sup> Or the University of Brasília<sup>55</sup>, which *"in 2003 ... became the first federal institution to implement a quota system for black students"*<sup>56</sup>, a decade before such laws started to be formally implemented by the Lula-Rousseff governments. Or the Instituto de Pesquisas e Estudos Afro-Brasileiros<sup>57</sup>, that at the moment of this writing showcases a piece of African art on its frontpage with the caption, *"Africans produced culture and knowledge, in sovereignty and freedom, extending their influence across the world for millennia before their enslavement in the Americas."*<sup>58</sup> Or the Associação Nacional de Quilombos para Cooperação - Negra Anastácia, to *"strengthen the national coordination of the [black] quilombola movement."*<sup>59</sup>

There also exist a bunch of overlapping LGBTQ-oriented groups, but it should be clear than any totally independent Brazilian government would immediately ban foundations as Ford, Rockefeller, Soros and Omidyar from its country, and make sure these divisive propaganda organizations cannot continue through other means. They might be able to operate in the country, but not in this manner.

12. In June 2019, worried that Bolsonaro would try to turn back a lot LGBTQ rights, Brazil's Superior Court criminalized "homophobia" and "transphobia", making it punishable with "*prison sentences of up to five years.*" 8 of 11 Superior Court judges voted in favor of the measure <sup>60</sup>, which is not surprising because 7 of the 11 Superior Court judges at that point had been appointed by either Lula or Rousseff. <sup>61</sup>

13. In October 2023, after the genocidal Hamas attack on Israel, Lula showed such an adherence to the United Nations that he refused to label Hamas a "terrorist organization". He would label the attack itself "terrorist", but from his words it's clear he quietly approved of Palestinian terrorism against Israel. <sup>62</sup>

There's something with Lula da Silva that precedes all of this. No later than early 2000, years before his first presidency, Lula was one of 112 listed members of the Inter-American Dialogue (IAD), a globalist group heavily funded by "liberal CIA" foundations as Ford, Hewlett, Kellogg, MacArthur, and Mellon; agencies as the World Bank and USAID; and big business as Texaco, BP, Pfizer, Johnson & Johnson, AIG, General Electric, Time Warner, Xerox and more. <sup>63</sup> U.S. members among the 112 included Rockefeller and CIA elites as Peggy Dulany Rockefeller, the daughter of David Rockefeller; Henry Kissinger's key protege Brent Scowcroft, founding [Trilaterals](#) Jimmy Carter and Cyrus Vance, the latter also past chair of the Rockefeller Foundation; Trilateral Robert Zoellick, the future World Bank president; Sally Shelton Colby ("on leave"), the wife and widow of CIA director William Colby and a key founder of "[privatized CIA](#)" [front the National Endowment for Democracy](#); and others. <sup>64</sup> These are well-known names from [ISGP's Superclass Index](#), so it might be more fruitful to analyze the handful of Brazilian visitors alongside Lula in a bit more detail <sup>65</sup>:

1. **Lula da Silva:** Within a few years Brazil's Worker Party president, following a profoundly "new left", social democrat, "liberal CIA" agenda of labor rights and conservationism, mixed with "anti-racism" propaganda.
2. **Roberto Teixeira da Costa:** "*Founder of the Brazilian Center for International Relations (CEBRI)*" <sup>66</sup>, yet another [international offshoot of the CFR and RIIA](#).
3. **Henrique Meirelles:** Harvard-educated. Chair Central Bank of Brazil under Lula 2003-2010. Advisor to the deans of Harvard's Kennedy School and MIT. Associated with various American and British banks. Minister of finance under the (unelected) Michel Temer 2016-2018, from the moment Temer replaced the impeached Dilma Rousseff. Temer, with Meirelles seldom mentioned, quickly introduced highly unpopular neoliberal economic policies. While partly needed due to a major

economic slump, it appears Temer and Meirelles exploited the situation in favor of globalist big business. In the international media the main talk was about "pension reforms" being proposed by the Temer government, and really when Rousseff still was in power. These "pension reforms" led to massive country-wide protests and riots of *"teachers, bus drivers, healthcare providers, oil industry workers and public servants"* <sup>67</sup> all throughout April and May 2017 and even beyond. It is hard to find out what exactly was in these "reforms", but it turns out that they involved labor unions and labor laws being completely crushed:

*"The law ... will remove all restrictions on outsourcing, dismantle labor rights, including provisions on vacations, overtime and working hours, give more freedom to employers to negotiate individually with workers rather than collectively through unions, and eliminate the "union tax" paid by all formal-sector workers, which is the principal form of financing for union activities in Brazil. ...*

*"Sergio Nobre, secretary-general of CUT [Unified Workers' Central], [spoke to] thousands of metalworkers gathered in Sao Paulo on Tuesday. ... Nobre said the law would serve the interests of large multinational companies, not workers. ... Brazil's Congress debated the law without the participation of CUT or any trade union opposed to its provisions, says Nobre. ...*

*"Young people, specifically young black workers, will be especially harmed, because young workers are primarily employed in precarious jobs and are the majority of the unemployed, Julia Reis Nogueira, CUT national secretary of racial equality said in May."* <sup>68</sup>

Meirelles was not impressed, explaining he *"does not see any strong or relevant political figures seeking to reverse the proposed measures on changing labor and pension laws,"* <sup>69</sup> and continued with more "reform". In August 2017 the decision was made to save another \$100 million a year for the government by closing all *"393 branches of the country's Popular Pharmacy program [that] guaranteed free distribution, or at least a 90 percent discount, on 112 different medications for chronic illnesses."* <sup>70</sup> This program had been set up by Lula early in his administration.

Temer's term and him sending troops into the Favelas also coincided with the assassination of black "liberal CIA"-type activist Marielle Franco by right-wing paramilitary forces.



4. **Fernando Henrique Cardoso ("on leave"):** Brazilian president 1995-2003, so apparently a member of Inter-American Dialogue already before 1995. Also foreign affairs minister April - Oct. 1992 and again Jan. 2001 - Dec. 2002, in the latter case as part of his own Brazilian Social Democratic Party government, the main left-wing opposition to Lula da Silva's Worker's Party (PT). Cardoso introduced the first rights for blacks <sup>71</sup>, but despite being left-wing, is universally considered to have expanded the neoliberal economic policy under guidance of the World Bank and IMF that first was set in by President Fernando Collor de Mello (1990-1992), an agenda also largely followed by Lula. <sup>72</sup> It resulted in an increase in privatizations of state companies, followed by a lot of these companies going bankrupt due to changing market conditions and being bought up by foreign corporations. <sup>73</sup>

All these neoliberal and globalist measures under Cardoso make sense, because in addition to his older Inter-American Dialogue tie, already in June 2002, while still serving as president of Brazil, he was invited to the board of trustees of the [Institute for Advanced Studies](#) in Princeton, in the United States. This was under the chairmanship of James Wolfensohn, the sitting president of the World Bank (1995-2005) and a long-time Bilderberg steering committee member. The Dow Jones, Goldman Sachs, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, and the "liberal CIA" [Carnegie Corporation](#) were among the other interests represented. <sup>74</sup>

5. **Dulce Pereira:** Black woman brought to the U.S. on a scholarship in her youth. Came to live with a Democrat family and became a black civil rights activist. She also developed ties from that period with South African ANC activists. Back in Brazil in the 1990s she spread the "Afro-Brazilian" activist message through the media, at universities, in part through her position as president of the Fundação Cultural Palmares from 1996 to 2000. President Fernando Henrique Cardoso (1995-2003) supported her cause by appointing her executive secretary of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries (CPLP), which also includes African countries. Upon Lula once again having been elected president in 2022, he prominently met with Pereira, as *"one of the leaders of the black movement"*, talking among other things about how *"more than 60% of the black population in the country is directly impacted by extreme climate events."* Lula's old minister of education and his new finance minister also was part of that meeting. <sup>75</sup>

6. **Jacqueline Pitanguy:** Born in Brazil. Moved to the U.S. as a

teen, attending Pittsford High School in New York State, while *"living with [an] Episcopalian family."* <sup>76</sup> President of the Brazilian National Council for Women's Rights 1986-1989. Founder in 1990 and executive director of the Ford Foundation-funded <sup>77</sup> CEPIA group, *"to promote education in defense of human rights, gender equality, repudiation of racism, respect for diversity."* <sup>78</sup> Tellingly, CEPIA was represented at the [1992 Rio Earth Summit](#) and the controversial white-hating [World Conference Against Racism \("Durban Conference"\)](#) in South Africa in 2001. <sup>79</sup> Inter-American Dialogue member 1992-, alongside Rockefeller elites. Visiting professor at Rutgers University, New Jersey, U.S., where she held the "Laurie Chair in Women's Studies" anno 1993. In this position she was networking with Rutgers's Center for Women's Global Leadership in *"preparing for United Nations World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, Austria, 1993."* <sup>80</sup> Rutgers, on average, receives up to a million dollars annually from the Ford Foundation. Founding board member of the Brazilian Commission on Citizenship and Reproduction, no later than 1994. Co-founder in 1997 and executive director of the Civil Society Forum in the Americas. Member of the governing council of the UNESCO Institute for Education. Anno 2011 the chair of the Brazil Human Rights Fund, founded in 2006 with \$3 million in seed-funding from the Ford Foundation which has continued to be one of its most prolific financiers. <sup>81</sup>

A businessman who helped set up Brazil's version of the CFR? A neoliberal, pro-black rights future president? A similarly-oriented minister of finance? A "liberal CIA"-type, even more pro-black rights future president? A United Nations-tied, Ford Foundation-backed feminist? A similarly elite-backed black activist? Many of them educated in the United States? This is a very recognizable pattern, and demonstrates that "Rockefeller CIA" - literally in this case with CIA director William Colby's widow involved - has the same basic recipe for every country in the world: supporting neoliberalism and Third World immigration by steering division in society through "the left" and "the right" - making sure neither is genuinely anti-multinational and thus can threaten their system.

### **Why you were never a rebel - but here's how you can be**

For those who went through some of the organizations and sources in this oversight, it is probably quite clear that anyone who ever thought they were a rebel when they:

- ▶ protested the NSA's [intrusion of privacy](#);
- ▶ accused the CIA of involvement in [cocaine and heroin trafficking](#);
- ▶ attacked the [Israel Lobby](#) in the United States;

- scolded bankers during [Occupy Wall Street](#);
- listened to [Democracy Now!](#);
- took information from [Sourcewatch](#);
- illegally [smoked weed](#);
- took [psychedelics](#) or tried to use them to treat psychiatric disorders;
- tried to [save the rainforest](#);
- entertained the [holographic view of reality](#);
- or studied the link between [quantum mechanics](#) and [spirituality](#);

in reality was an obedient citizen just following a path being created or already laid out by huge globalist forces where the line between CIA and big business seems to be non-existent. You're were literally copying the opinions of a Laurance Rockefeller, a Dr. Richard Rockefeller, a George Soros, a Jeffrey Bronfman, a Luce, a Mellon, a Pritzker, a Pierre Omidyar, or some major foundation as [Ford](#) or [Carnegie](#) that has been laundering its funds through the [Tides](#), [New World](#), [Lannan](#), or [Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#). Whatever political or spiritual idea in society reaches some prominence, tends to have big money behind it in the background. Granted, very publicly pointing to evidence of historical CIA drug trafficking or the problem of the Israel Lobby is pushing the limits of polite debate, but the fact it, it has most certainly been done in the "new left" media - and in more detail you would initially think. I sure was surprised to learn about it.

The good news is that this awareness within the alternative "new left" does not necessarily point to an evil plot. There's literally nothing wrong with any of these things. In fact, they represent areas of progress. Just be aware that there is also evidence that action and debate is being limited and in some cases, especially with regard to conspiracy, is distorted. So never allow yourself to fall into the trap of following authority in these alternative pursuits without asking a few hard questions. You absolutely are allowed to go beyond what has been presented, to set up your own parallel research and activist projects, or to draw your own conclusions. In the age of the internet you can put anything out there that *you* want and that *you* believe in.

**Update 8 years after the original:** Scrap that last line. You can put anything online, but search engines like Google will censor you like there's no tomorrow, so that mostly only the people you *\*don't\** want to find it, will find it. The same goes for social media platforms.

## APPENDICES

### The engine: key foundations

## Annenberg Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 1993. Based on the fortune of [Pilgrims Society](#) member and major superclass member Walter Annenberg. Has been involved in financing the environmental movement and, most importantly maybe, the website [FactCheck.org](#).
- ▶ Foundation website: [annenberg.org/initiatives/education/annenberg-public-policy-center](#) (accessed: January 15, 2017): *"When the Annenberg Public Policy Center (APPC) was established in 1993, its founders, Ambassadors Walter and Leonore Annenberg, sought to increase the impact of the scholarship produced at Penn's Annenberg School for Communication, the Policy Center's home. ... The Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania has developed such award-winning initiatives as [FactCheck.org](#)..."*
- ▶ [activistfacts.com/foundation/246-AnnenbergFoundation/](#) (accessed: January 16, 2017): *"The Annenberg Foundation was endowed by Walter H. Annenberg in 1989. Annenberg's family business, Triangle Publications, includes both TV Guide and Seventeen magazine, as well as hundreds of radio and television stations across the U.S. ... Donations [total]: [Natural Resources Defense Council](#), \$805,000, [by] 2005. [Sierra Club](#), \$77,500, [by] 2001. - [Tides Foundation](#) & Tides Center, \$1,450,000, [by] 2006."*
- ▶ Annenberg also helps finance [NPR](#) and [Public Radio International \(PRI\)](#).
- ▶ September 22, 2008, Newsmax, 'Obama, Voter Fraud & Mortgage Meltdown': *"Rathke had been active in Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), known for its violence, and in the domestic terrorist group, the Weathermen, which bombed government offices. William Ayers and his wife Benadine Dohrn, Chicago friends of Obama, also were members of the SDS and the Weathermen. Obama chaired the board of the Chicago Annenberg Challenge, funded by a grant obtained by Ayers [who in December 2016 co-founded the action group [FightFascism.org](#), a frontal assault on the Trump administration and the 58% of all whites who voted for him]."*
- ▶ The Chicago Annenberg Challenge which came to be chaired by Barack Obama and also counted the involvement of Obama's friend Bill Ayers (together they also came to serve on the board of the [Woods Fund](#)) was in part financed by the [Joyce Foundation](#), of which Obama was a long-time trustee.

## Arca Foundation

- ▶ Similar to the [Tides Foundation](#), the similarly-oriented Arca Foundation was originally based on the R.J. Reynolds fortune.

- ▶ [arcafoundation.org/history.htm](http://arcafoundation.org/history.htm) (accessed: November 28, 2015): *"But Nancy Susan Reynolds had her own ideas — some decidedly modern ideas for a Southern woman, a wife and a mother of four — about what the world should and could be. She put those ideas into action in 1952, by founding the Nancy Reynolds Bagley Foundation, which later became the Arca Foundation. ... In 1968 Mrs. Reynolds renamed the foundation Arca..."*
- ▶ [arcafoundation.org/conference\\_rm.htm](http://arcafoundation.org/conference_rm.htm) (accessed: November 28, 2015): *"As president of the Arca Foundation from 1970-1980, Jane Bagley Lehman [also chair of the Tides Foundation 1976-1988]..."*
- ▶ January 12, 1985, New York Times, 'NANCY SUSAN REYNOLDS': *"Nancy Susan Reynolds, the last surviving child of the founder of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, died today at her home in Greenwich, Conn., the company announced here. She was 74 years old. Mrs. Reynolds was a benefactor to many North Carolina institutions, particularly Wake Forest University. Her father, Richard, died when she was 8. Her mother was Katharine Smith Reynolds. She married Henry Walker Bagley, from whom she was divorced in 1953, and later married Gilbert Verney. They divorced in 1967. Mrs. Reynolds is survived by four children, Jane Bagley Lehman [who helped establish the Tides Foundation], Smith W. Bagley, Susan Bagley Bloom and Ann Bagley Grant. "*
- ▶ April 21, 1988, New York Times, 'Jane Lehman, 55; Active in Philanthropy' (no mention of Tides or Arca foundations): *"Jane Bagley Lehman, an investor and businesswoman who was active in philanthropy, died of lung cancer Monday in San Francisco, where she lived. She was 55 years old. Ms. Lehman, a granddaughter of R. J. Reynolds, the tobacco company founder, was born in Greenwich, Conn., and attended the Knox School in Cooperstown, N.Y., and the Carnegie-Mellon Institute. She was the former wife of S. A. Long, the prominent yachtsman, and of Orin Lehman, New York State Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. Active in a number of philanthropic organizations, Ms. Lehman served on the board of the Save the Children Federation from 1962 until 1978. In 1976, after moving from New York to California, she helped form the Tides Foundation, which addresses environmental and social concerns, and was its chairwoman for the last 12 years. She was a director of the American Place Theater, the American Symphony Orchestra, public television station KQED in San Francisco and the Experiment in International Living in Vermont."*
- ▶ [florycanto.org/filmnight.htm](http://florycanto.org/filmnight.htm): *"June 4 KPFA On the Air (2000, 60 minutes) A lively documentary providing food for thought about the potential for alternative visions of media and their*



*relationships to community. KPFA, sister Pacifica station to our own KPFK, began broadcasting in April 1949, and soon became a beacon of open-ended discourse in the McCarthy period of the 1950s. Included among its guests were Langston Hughes, Dylan Thomas, Allen Ginsberg and Linus Pauling [Rockefeller-funded], along with Caspar Weinberger, Edward Teller, the father of the H-Bomb, and the John Birch Society. The video documents the growth of KPFA from the brainstorm of some WWII pacifists to a rare and dynamic voice for cultural and political pluralism through the 1950s, and as a voice for the social movements of the 1960s. It provides diverse perspectives on the complexities of building a multi-cultural media community. Alice Walker narrates viewers through this lively documentary on the history of this pioneer of listener-sponsored radio."*

- ▶ [paulingblog.wordpress.com/2008/12/09/pauling-and-the-rockefeller-foundation/](http://paulingblog.wordpress.com/2008/12/09/pauling-and-the-rockefeller-foundation/): "Pauling received his first grant from the Rockefeller Foundation in 1932 for a program of research in structural chemistry. Shortly thereafter, in the fall of 1933, Pauling applied for and later received a three-year grant from the Foundation to support his experimental researches. ... In 1934 Pauling received more funding from the Rockefeller Foundation, this time in support of his hemoglobin research. ... It is also clear that Pauling was, at least to a degree, shifting his research focus to match the lines of inquiry that the Foundation was interested in funding. In 1986, Pauling would note ...I'd had one elementary course in organic chemistry and no biochemistry. Didn't know much about these things. I was getting support from the Rockefeller Foundation. Warren Weaver said to me, "Well it's alright. We've been giving you some money to determine the structure of the sulfide minerals. But the Rockefeller Foundation isn't really interested in the sulfide minerals. We're interested in biological molecules and life." So I said, "Well, I'd like to study the magnetic properties of hemoglobin and see whether the oxygen molecule loses its paramagnetism when it combines with the hemoglobin molecule." So they said, "Alright, we'll give you more money." And so it was, more or less, that Pauling's hemoglobin work received Rockefeller support on the order of \$70,000 per year circa 1940. Listen: Pauling discusses the roots of his relationship with the Rockefeller Foundation [audio clip]... Pauling not only sought and gained special assistance from Rockefeller funds, but Rockefeller personnel also contributed to the development of his hemoglobin work throughout the 1930s. Alfred E. Mirsky, a professor in cell biology at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, was one of

*the first individuals with whom Pauling discussed potential hemoglobin research. Pauling quickly developed a personal friendship with Mirsky and clearly held his colleague in very high regard as a scientist. In a 1944 letter recommending Mirsky for a position at the Carnegie Institution of Washington, Pauling wrote I do not know any one who is so keenly interested in the development of the field of science involving the applications of chemistry and physics to borderline problems of biology, and especially of genetics, and who has such a penetrating understanding of the work which has been done. I find that every conversation which I have with Dr. Mirsky gives me some valuable idea. He has a masterly ability to coordinate results into a significant whole." Indeed, over the years Pauling gave a number of lectures at the Rockefeller Institute and continued to benefit from a wide array of academic and personal relationships that began with the Foundation. The Foundation also continued to fund Pauling's work well into the 1950s, contributing mightily to the "big science" phenomenon that helped define academic research following World War II. The Rockefeller Foundation was pioneering in its recognition of the importance of supporting interdisciplinary work; in particular, it actively sought to foster research between biology and chemistry. In many ways, Pauling with the prototype scientist that the Foundation was looking to support. Looking back, few can deny the impact that this partnership made on the history of twentieth century science. For more information on Pauling's relationship with the Rockefeller Foundation, see the website *It's in the Blood! A Documentary History of Linus Pauling, Hemoglobin, Sickle Cell Anemia*. We also strongly recommend the book *The Molecular Vision of Life: Caltech, the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Rise of the New Biology* (1993), written by the late Dr. Lily Kay."*

### **Bauman Foundation**

- ▶ Foundation set up as the Bauman Family Foundation in 1982 by Lionel Bauman. Upon his death in 1987, Patricia Bauman and her husband John Landrum Bryant took over the managing of the foundation, which contains about \$100 million in total assets.
- ▶ Grantees:
  - ▶ As usual, the foundation supports a mix of "new left" media (The Nation, AlterNet, Media Matters, The New Press, National Security Archive), environmentalist,

social justice, pro-black (NAACP, ColorOfChange.org) and pro-Third World immigration groups.

► [baumanfoundation.org/grantees](http://baumanfoundation.org/grantees) (accessed: April 24, 2017): *"Grantees for Fiscal Year 2009 – Current: ... Alliance for Justice ... [AlterNet](#) ... Brennan Center for Justice. Brookings Institution ... Center for American Progress. Center for Community Change ... ColorOfChange.org Education Fund ... [Earth Day Network](#) ... Environmental Defense Fund ... Environmental Law Institute ... Federation of American Scientists ... MapLight ... [Media Matters](#) ... NAACP ... [Nation Institute](#) ... [National Council of La Raza](#) ... [National Security Archive Fund](#) ... National Women's Law Center. [Natural Resources Defense Council](#) ... New Press ... [Project Vote](#) ... [Rock the Vote](#) ... [Rockefeller Family Fund](#). [Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors](#) ... [Sierra Club Foundation](#) ... [Tides Foundation](#) ... Tufts University. [U.S. PIRG Education Fund](#). [Union of Concerned Scientists](#) ... Urban Institute ... Voces de la Frontera. [Voter Participation Center](#). [Voting for America](#) ... Wellstone Action Fund ..."*

► Apart from the grants, the Bauman Foundation's board has major ties to the Rockefeller and Soros foundations:

► [baumanfoundation.org:80/node/57](http://baumanfoundation.org:80/node/57) (accessed: Sep. 21, 2012): *"Board of Directors: ...*

*- Anne Bartley: ... She has participated in founding several organizations, including ... the [Threshold Foundation](#) ... Democracy Alliance, America Votes... She is currently on the following boards: the Bauman Family Foundation, the [Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors](#), America Votes, [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#)...*

*- Jessica Bauman ...*

*- Patricia Bauman, President ...*

*- Deepak Bhargava: ... Executive Director of the [[Ford Foundation](#)-founded and major foundation-supported] Center for Community Change [who] currently serves on the boards of ... [The Nation](#) editorial board, the National Advisory Board for [George Soros'] [Open Society Institute](#)... Graduated summa cum laude from Harvard College.*

*- John Landrum Bryant, Vice President and Treasurer ...*

*- Gerald Torres: ... He is presently Chair of the Advancement Project and a Trustee of the Natural Resources Defense Council. He is a graduate of Yale Law School."*

► [baumanfoundation.org/about-us/board](http://baumanfoundation.org/about-us/board) (accessed: April 23, 2017): "

*- Anne Bartley: ... She is currently on the following boards [as well]: ... the [Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors](#), America Votes, [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#)...*

*- Amy Bauman ...*

*- Jessice Bauman ...*

- Patricia Bauman, President: ... She is Chair of the [Natural Resources Defense Council Action Fund](#), Co-Chair of the Brennan Center for Justice, a Trustee of Montefiore Medical Center... Ms. Bauman is a graduate of Radcliffe/Harvard College, Columbia University School of Public Health, and Georgetown University Law Center.
- Deepak Bhargava: ... currently serves on the boards of ... The Nation editorial board, the National Advisory Board for [George Soros'] Open Society Institute...
- John Landrum Bryant, Vice President and Treasurer...
- David Brock: ... founder and CEO of [Media Matters for America](#) [financed by [George Soros](#), as are other political groups of Brock]...
- Gerald Torres ... "

## Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 2000 by Bill Gates of Microsoft. \$44 billion endowment by December 2014. Bill and Melinda Gates were co-chairs until 2021, when Melinda divorced Bill over the Epstein scandal Gates was tied to. By 2014 Gates had donated \$30 billion to the foundation. Warren Buffett was a trustee of the foundation from 2006 to 2021, leaving when the Gates-Epstein scandal broke out. At that point, Buffett had donated \$32.7 billion to the foundation.
  - ▶ [gatesfoundation.org/Who-We-Are/General-Information/Foundation-Factsheet](https://gatesfoundation.org/Who-We-Are/General-Information/Foundation-Factsheet) (accessed: February 29, 2016): "- Bill Gates, Co-chair. - Melinda Gates, Co-chair. - William H. Gates Sr., Co-chair. - Sue Desmond-Hellmann, Chief Executive Officer. - Warren Buffett, Trustee."
  - ▶ June 26, 2006, NPR, 'Buffett Gift Sends \$31 Billion to Gates Foundation'.
  - ▶ [gatesfoundation.org/about/leadership/warren-buffett](https://gatesfoundation.org/about/leadership/warren-buffett) (accessed: March 6, 2022); "As a trustee from 2006 – 2021... Warren's contributions to the Gates [Fdn.] total \$32.7 billion valued at the time of receipt."
- ▶ Elitist Vartan Gregorian has also been quite involved with the Gates Foundation from the start. Plenty of other CFR members can be found among top leadership and advisors for decades on end:L
  - ▶ June 1997, [gatesfoundation.org](https://gatesfoundation.org), 'Bill and Melinda Gates establish library foundation dedicated to bringing internet to libraries': "*The Gates Library Foundation... Board members include ... Vartan Gregorian...*"
  - ▶ April 16, 2000, New York Times, 'How to Give Away \$21.8 Billion': "*Vartan Gregorian, president of the Carnegie Corporation and a longtime adviser to Gates on the*

*subject of philanthropy..."*

- ▶ Gates Foundation advisors (with CFR overlap): Vartan Gregorian (1990s-2000s advisor; trustee Gates Library Foundation; CFR '84-) | Dr. Margaret Hamburg (member (international) scientific advisory comm. anno '22; CFR '86-) | Dr. Harold Varmus (member (international) scientific advisory comm. anno '22; CFR '01-).
- ▶ Gates Foundation trustees (only three): Bill and Melinda Gates never were CFR. Warren Buffett (trustee 2006-2021; CFR 2014-).
- ▶ Gates Foundation management board (with CFR overlap): with Patty Stonesifer (first CEO 2006-2008; co-chair; involved since 1990s; worked at Microsoft 1988-1997, including as senior vice president; CFR '03-) | Sylvia Mathews Burwell (management board and president of global development until '11; CFR '08-) | Christopher Elias (management board and president of global development '12-14; CFR '08-) | Allan Golston (president US Program anno '12-'14; CFR '11-) | Mark Suzman (president Global Policy & Advocacy 2014-; CFR '19-).
- ▶ The foundation is primarily focused on relieving poverty and sickness in Africa.
- ▶ The Gates Foundation is partnered with the Tides Foundation:
  - ▶ [tides.org/i-want-to/increase-my-foundations-impact-capacity](https://tides.org/i-want-to/increase-my-foundations-impact-capacity) (accessed: September 3, 2015): *"In partnership with institutions like The California Endowment, The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, [George Soros'] Open Society Institute, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, [Bill & Melinda] Gates Foundation, Ford Foundation, and many others, we have granted hundreds of millions of dollars."*
- ▶ The Gates Foundation has been a huge billion dollar donor to Seattle's University of Washington:
  - ▶ [donations.vipulnaik.com](https://donations.vipulnaik.com), 'University of Washington donations received': *"Andrew W. Mellon Foundation: \$21,230,000.00 [1972-2018; 1972-1990: \$3.2 million, on average \$246,000 per year, which would be about \$850,000 per year anno 2020] ... Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation: \$724,672,884.64 [2006-2018]"*
- ▶ Warren Buffett is known to have financed and to be an advisory board member of [Everytown for Gun Safety](#), and also to have financed the [Washington Monthly](#) magazine.

## **Bloomberg Philanthropies**

- ▶ Founded in 2004. Endowment of roughly \$4.3 billion. Includes the Bloomberg Family Foundation.
- ▶ The founder and owner is Michael Bloomberg: Mayor of New York City 2002-2013. Democrat pre-2001, Republican 2002-



2007 and Independent since 2007. Worked with Bill Clinton on climate change issues and endorsed Hillary Clinton for president in 2016. Member of The Giving Pledge with the Bronfmans, Bill Gates, David Rockefeller, Warren Buffett, Ted Turner and Jeff Skoll. Member and speaker to the CFR. Member Trilateral Commission. Visitor Sun Valley meetings. Involved in the 2015-founded Breakthrough Energy Coalition (BEC) with George Soros and Richard Branson. Trustee World Conservation Society and Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University.

- ▶ Michael Bloomberg founded [Everytown Against Gun Violence](#) with Bill Gates Foundation partner Warren Buffett in 2014. Close ally of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in particular, for example on anti-smoking and contraception issues, as well as the banning of hydrogenated cooking oils (with Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg). In 2011 Bloomberg and George Soros set up Young Men's Initiative to reduce issues with New York City's black and Latino communities.

### **Carnegie Corporation of New York**

- ▶ Founded in 1911 by [Pilgrims Society](#) member Andrew Carnegie.
- ▶ Has helped finance new left NGOs as the Center for Community Change, [Pacifica Foundation Radio](#) (to launch [Democracy Now!](#)), [Public Radio International \(PRI\)](#), the [Foundation for National Progress/Mother Jones magazine](#) and [AlterNet](#).

### **Carnegie Institute for Science**

- ▶ Founded in 1895 by [Pilgrims Society](#) member Andrew Carnegie.
- ▶ Leadership has included: Harry F. Osborn | Cleveland Dodge | Robert Bliss | Lindsay Bradford | Vannevar Bush (president) | Walter Gifford | Caryl Haskins | Charles Townes | John Macomber | Walter Page II (trustee 1971-1979) | John Cadwalader | William I. M. Turner, Jr. (vice chair) | [William Hewlett](#) (trustee).

### **Clinton Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 2001 by Bill Clinton. Heavily politicized. Through 2014 the foundation had raised almost \$2 billion from U.S. corporations especially Wall Street; foreign governments and corporations; political donors; and various other moneyed interests.

- ▶ At this point the annual Clinton Global Initiative is part of the Clinton Foundation.
- ▶ [clintonfoundation.org/about/board-directors](https://clintonfoundation.org/about/board-directors) (accessed: April 29, 2017): *"President Bill Clinton, founder and board chair. Chelsea Clinton, vice chair of the board. ... Cheryl Mills ..."*
- ▶ Anno 2017 Chelsea Clinton is director of InterActiveCorp, a company that controls The Daily Beast, Vimeo, About.com and basically all western online dating apps: OKCupid, Tinder, BlackPeopleMeet, etc. Barry Diller, the former Fox chief and, since 2001, the husband of Diane von Furstenberg, has been the long time chair of InterActiveCorp, with Alexander von Furstenberg, Edgar Bronfman Jr. and Michael Eisner also serving on the board. See the [Furstenberg Family Foundation](#) for details.

### Daphne Foundation (Disney)



Pictures from the Daphne Foundation's page of grantees: financing street protests everywhere.

- ▶ Small foundation founded in 1991 by Abigail Disney and her husband. Abigail is the daughter of Roy E. Disney and a granddaughter of Roy O. Disney, the founder of The Walt Disney Company with Abigail's great uncle Walt Disney in 1923. Abigail has a BA from Yale, an MA from Stanford and a Ph.D. from Columbia in English literature.
  - ▶ February 13, 2009, [PhilanthropyNewsDigest.org](#), 'Abigail Disney, President, Daphne Foundation': *"In 1991, Abigail Disney and her husband, Pierre Hauser, founded the Daphne Foundation — the name is a composite of their initials — to support emerging and grassroots organizations... A grand-niece of Walt Disney..."*
  - ▶ [daphnefoundation.org/about/](https://daphnefoundation.org/about/) (accessed: April 26, 2018): *"The Daphne Foundation is directed by Abigail Disney, Pierre Hauser, Leah Doyle, Deborah Howes, Yvonne L. Moore and Ingrid Benedict (director)."*
- ▶ Abigail Disney is a giant feminist, gun-hating, [ethnic crime statistics suppressing](#), white guilt pusher:
  - ▶ July 23, 2016 tweet of Abigail Disney (@abigaildisney): *"Donald Trump should not be elected. He should be hospitalized". @GloriaSteinem."*
  - ▶ October 3, 2017, Abigail Disney (@abigaildisney): *"And let's be clear. 3% of Americans [who own almost half of the 300 million guns] is 9 million people. Most of them men. Most of them white."*
  - ▶ April 26, 2016, Abigail Disney (@abigaildisney) Twitter

biography: *"Filmmaker. man-loving feminist banshee. All-around nooge for social justice. Self-important but other-important too."*

- ▶ April 25, 2018 tweet of Abigail Disney (@abigaildisney): *"God. My people are so fucked up. This woman wants me to peel my white skin off."*
- ▶ April 26, 2018 tweet of Abigail Disney (@abigaildisney): *"This the NFL embracing a racist on the one hand and shunning an activist on the other. The NFL is dying and I'm sad to say I think it deserves to die."*
- ▶ April 26, 2018 tweet of Abigail Disney (@abigaildisney): *"Hey white people. Does this convince you that you don't have to use the n-word to be a racist?"*
- ▶ April 26, 2018 tweet of Abigail Disney (@abigaildisney): *"kanye west just lost 9.2M followers in 7 mins for posting a photo of him wearing trump hat."*
- ▶ The Daphne Foundation is primarily focused on financing Third World immigrant grassroots NGOs:
  - ▶ [daphnefoundation.org/grantee-list/](http://daphnefoundation.org/grantee-list/) (accessed: April 26, 2018; all the photos show black, Asian and Arab immigrant protestors waving banners): *"African Communities Together. ... CAAAV Organizing Asian Communities. Communities United for Police Reform. Desis Rising Up and Moving. El Centro Del Inmigrante. ... Rockaway Youth Task Force. Vocal NY."*
- ▶ Abigail Disney is an extreme white guilt promoter:
- ▶ In 2008, Abigail Disney launched the Peace is Loud, a globalist feminist NGO:
  - ▶ [peaceisloud.org/about/what-we-do/](http://peaceisloud.org/about/what-we-do/): *"Founded by activist, filmmaker and philanthropist Abigail Disney, Peace is Loud inspires action through media and speaking events that spotlight women leaders on the frontlines of peacebuilding."*
- ▶ Abigail Disney campaigned for higher taxes, alongside George Soros and allies:
  - ▶ December 11, 2012, Forbes.com, 'Warren Buffett And George Soros Want Higher Estate Tax Than Obama Proposes': *"Warren Buffett, George Soros, President Jimmy Carter, Bill Gates, Sr., and many others have signed a list of notable wealthy individuals who are calling on Congress and the President to raise [the] estate tax... [Others include:] Robert Rubin, former Treasury Secretary and Co-Chairman of Goldman Sachs... Abigail Disney... and Richard Rockefeller, MD, heir to Standard Oil founder John D. Rockefeller."*
  - ▶ March 21, 2017, 'Disney, Rockefeller, Soros among wealthy New Yorkers asking state to raise their taxes': *"Eighty people including George Soros, Steven Rockefeller and Abigail Disney wrote to lawmakers and*

*Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo saying they and other top earners should pay more to support schools, roads..."*

- ▶ Abigail Disney was part of the bizarre cultic [NXIVM / Ethical Humanitarian Foundation network](#) of Keith Raniere and the Bronfman sisters.

### **Doris Duke Charitable Fund**

- ▶ Founded in 1996. Assets of \$1.72 billion as of December 31, 2016.
- ▶ Helps finance [National Public Radio](#), the [National Resources Defense Council](#), the Nature Conservancy with many millions. Universities as Harvard, Yale, Washington, UCLA, Florida and others also receive millions.
- ▶ Anno 2017, Doris Duke Charitable Trust chairman Peter Nadosy, a graduate of Harvard and Columbia and top executive of Morgan Stanley, also serves as a trustee of the [Ford Foundation](#). In addition, the foundation is linked to [Occupy Wall Street's](#) Zuccotti Park.
  - ▶ [ddcf.org/about-us/board-of-trustees/](#) (accessed: March 26, 2017): *"Peter A. Nadosy, Chair ... Past Board Members: ... John J. Mack [chairman Morgan Stanley] ... Nicholas Scoppetta [New York City Fire Commissioner January 1, 2002 - January 1, 2010, right after 9/11] ... John E. Zuccotti [chair and CEO Brookfield Office Properties; Zuccotti Park, famous for Occupy Wall Street, is named after him]"*
  - ▶ [fordfoundation.org/people/peter-a-nadosy/](#) (accessed: March 26, 2017): *"Peter A. Nadosy, managing partner of East End Advisors, serves on the Ford Foundation Board of Trustees. ... president of Morgan Stanley Asset Management in 1985, and vice chairman in 1995 ... Nadosy spent 27 years at Morgan Stanley. ... Nadosy is board chair of the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation..."*

### **Field Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in New York City in 1940 by Marshall Field III of Chicago (1893-1956), the grandson of a well-known Chicago merchant who founded the famous Marshall Field's department store.
- ▶ Marshall Field III bio:
  - ▶ Born in 1893 in Chicago. Primarily raised in England and educated at Eton College, Cambridge University. Became extremely wealthy after receiving a significant proportion of his grandfather's \$75 million (or \$118 million) estate in 1905/1906 (age 12-13) when his father committed suicide and his grandfather died. Enjoyed his wealth for the next three decades of his life without much concern for the

poor or minorities.

- ▶ Director of the elite Guaranty Trust Company in New York City from at least 1922 to at least 1929 (one source says 1933), alongside Averell Harriman, key Morgan bankers Tomas W. Lamont and John W. Davis, and other top elites of the Pilgrims Society and emerging CFR. Field himself joined the Pilgrims Society no later than 1924 and joined the CFR in 1927. He held membership in both groups until his death in 1956.
  - ▶ January 4, 1922, New York Times, p. 33: "A.C. Bedford, Chairman, Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey; ... Marshall Field [III], Trustee, Estate of Marshall Field; Robert W. Goelet ... Eugene G. Grace, Pres. Bethlehem Steel Corp.; Daniel Guggenheim of Guggenheim Brothers; W. Averell Harriman, Chairman, W.A. Harriman & Co., Inc. ... Cornelius F. Kelley, Pres. Anaconda Mining Co.; Thomas W. Lamont, partner of J.P. Morgan & Co. ... Edgar L. Marston of Blair & Co.; Grayson M.-P. Murphy ... Charles A. Peabody, pres. Mutual Life Insurance Co. ... Edward R. Stettinius of J.P. Morgan & Co.; Myron C. Taylor ... George Whitney of J.P. Morgan & Co.; Harry Payne Whitney, banker..."
  - ▶ July 9, 1929, New York Times, p. 49: "John W. Davis ... Marshall Field of Field, Glore & Co. ... Robert W. Goelet ... W. Averell Harriman ... Thomas W. Lamont ... Richard B. Mellon, Pres. Mellon National Bank, Pittsburgh; Grayson M.-P. Murphy ... Eugene W. Stetson ... Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, banker; George Whitney of J.P. Morgan & Co.; Harry Payne Whitney, banker ... "
  - ▶ Member Pilgrims Society from at least 1924 until his death in 1956 - based on historical Pilgrims Society membership lists.
  - ▶ Resident member CFR 1927-1956, based on historical CFR membership lists. Marshall Field Jr. certainly was a non-resident member of the CFR anno 1955.
- ▶ Marshall Field's close British friend was one-time Cambridge classmate and later Churchill cabinet member Oliver Lyttelton, the son of Alfred Lyttelton (1857-1913), a Pilgrim who was intimately part of the Cecil Rhodes secret society and subsequent Milner Group, together with Lord Rothschild, Sir Arthur Balfour and other elites. This network is considered the origin of today's corporate suprenational globalist government.
  - ▶ 1964, Stephen Becker and Marshall Field, 'Marshall Field III: A Biography', pp. 77, 97, 332, 459: "[Field] and Oliver Lyttelton (a classmate, now Viscount Chandos)... At Cambridge Oliver Lyttelton had

wondered what Field would do with himself, and had suggested politics; Field rejected the suggestion immediately, pointing out that American politics was "a dirty business."...

Field's old friend Oliver Lyttelton ... was named Controller of Metals in 1939 ... member of [Churchill's] War Cabinet in 1941, and Minister of Production in 1942. His meetings with Field were infrequent, but the two remained friends. Lyttelton even found the opportunity to strike a glancing blow for Field, at the Rainbow Club in London in 1943. He was with a group of British and American officers; one of the latter offered the old, silly reproach that the British lacked a sense of humor. Lyttelton answered him, "I admit we have nothing as funny as the Chicago Tribune." [The anti-FDR, anti-intervention paper Field set up the Chicago Sun for] Through those men, and through dozens of friends and employees who had gone off, Field was personally tied to the war. But during the war years he remembered peace. ...

Field also spent some time with his old friend Oliver Lyttelton, who was then Secretary of State for the Colonies [from 1951 to 1954] and had his hands full, what with Malaya, the emerging African nations, British Guiana, and particularly, that year, Kenya. Lyttelton thought that Field seemed quite tired."

- ▶ Marshall Field's cousin was the British Ronald Tree, an intimate of Churchill on whose estate the super-elite U.S.-Canadian-British [Ditchley Foundation](#) was established in 1958:

- ▶ 1964, Stephen Becker and Marshall Field, 'Marshall Field III: A Biography', pp. 332, 381, 474: "In New York his cousin Ronald Tree was one of those... (Another friend, who also had a cottage there, was Edward M. M. Warburg). Tree shared with Field aspects of life that almost no one else close to him had experienced -- the English background; and their friendship, interrupted by the war, was renewed in their easygoing summertime life at Caumsett [on Long Island]. Field swam, played tennis, rode. ...

Winston Churchill's estate, Chequers, was considered unsafe, a prime target, on weekends of full moon, and on those weekends the Trees extended to the Prime Minister... the hospitality of their own home, Ditchley. ...

In March of 1955 [Field] had taken a vacation in Barbados, where Ronald Tree was living. ... Tree



*thought his cousin weary, more abstracted than ever."*

- ▶ March 31, 1985, New York Times, 'House with Lustrous Past': *"Ditchley ... has changed little since it was built in about 1720 [and was inhabited by] the grandson of Charles II and his mistress Barbara Villiers, Duchess of Cleveland. ... In 1933 Ditchley Park was acquired from its last Lee owner, the 17th Viscount Dillon, by Ronald Tree, an heir to the Marshall Field fortune in Chicago. ...*

*At Ditchley Park [during WWII], Churchill met with his staff and, secretly, with members of the Roosevelt Administration, including W. Averell Harriman and Under Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal. Most importantly, he met with Harry L. Hopkins, Roosevelt's personal envoy, to draft the lend-lease agreements. ...*

*Ditchley ... now houses a lecture theater and the offices of the [super-elite] [Ditchley Foundation](#). The other, formerly a chapel, is now the living quarters of the foundation director."*

- ▶ In the 1940s very close to the Warburg family and seemingly also John McCloy and Dean Acheson - all Pilgrims:

- ▶ 1964, James P. Warburg, 'The Long Road Home: The Autobiography of a Maverick', pp. 65, 218, 226: *"Two of my Wall Street friends, Marshall Field and Averell Harriman, had seen and liked the play in rehearsal.*

*...*

*In politics as in private life, I felt disconnected and somewhat ... Marshall Field and I had become fast friends back in the ... [He] lived like an English duke on his estate on Long Island [and] had the British aristocrat's sense of 'noblesse oblige' and the appealing, fun-loving quality of a child. ...*

*When this idea found favor with [Pilgrim and CFR member Dean] Acheson and with [Pilgrim and CFR chair and David Rockefeller mentor] Jack McCloy in the War Department, I arranged with Marshall Field [III] to have myself accredited as a special correspondent for the Chicago Sun Syndicate. Thanks to the arrangements made by Acheson and McCloy, all doors in Germany were opened. General Lucius D. Clay, the United States chief of military government, gave me a thorough briefing on inter-ally relations and ordered his staff to provide whatever available information I might desire. He arranged permission for me to travel where and as I pleased throughout the Western zones of*

*occupation, and placed a jeep at my disposal."*

- ▶ Founding partner of Chicago-based investment banking firm Field, Glore & Co. early 1920s-1926. According to EIR (which did an incredibly accurate profile on Marshall Field III in 1983), by the mid 1930s Field was a director of Chicago & Northwestern Railroad, Chicago Union Traction, Rock Island and St. Paul Railroad, and Continental Illinois Bank.
- ▶ Supporter of Mussolini in the 1930s, alongside the usual elite bankers:
  - ▶ 2015, John Patrick Diggins, 'Mussolini and Fascism: The View from America', pp. 124-125: *"Safely settled [amidst major consternation in New York City upon his 1931 arrival], [Mussolini's] Foreign Minister [Dino Grandi] enjoyed a round of hearty welcomes: a dinner at Columbia University's Casa Italiana where Nicholas Murray Butler [Pilgrims Society president; key representative of the Morgan, Carnegie and Harriman interests], Marshall Field, and Ambassador de Martino were the main speakers; a White House ball, to which all the leading pro-Fascist Italian-American publishers had been invited; and a luncheon given by [New York Times] publisher Adolph Ochs, who complimented Grandi for supporting the same international policies as did the New York Times (the League of Nations and the World Court, "generous liquidation" of war debts, and disarmament) But the sweet amenities extended by the Establishment did not lessen tension. The Stimson estate, where Grandi resided, was guarded day and night by scores of security police."*
  - ▶ February 15, 1983, Executive Intelligence Review, "A profile of Chicago's Marshall Field clan": *"A year later [in 1932], Field was decorated by the Italian government for his services. Field III also continued the promotion of Nordic race superiority begun by his grandfather, who founded Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History."*
- ▶ In line with the Anglo-American establishment, Marshall Field III reversed his position on support for fascism when a peace treaty couldn't be worked out with Hitler due to FDR and British public opinion, and Hitler invaded the West to secure the Atlantic border:
  - ▶ [dla.library.upenn.edu](http://dla.library.upenn.edu), 'Fight for Freedom, Inc. Records': *"Fight for Freedom, Inc. (FFF), a national citizen's organization established in April 1941, was a leading proponent of full American participation in World War II. [It was] an offshoot of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies..."*

*Other key individuals, many of whom sat on the Board of Directors [of FFF], included ... Harvard University president James B. Conant; [OSS founder] Colonel William J. Donovan [Rockefeller Fdn. representative during WWI and for J.P. Morgan in the early 1920s] ... [OSS co-founder and later CIA co-founder] Allen Dulles; Marshall Field [III], philanthropist and publisher of the New York-based evening newspaper PM; publisher Harold Guinzburg; .. and financier James P. Warburg. The FFF headquarters was a hub of activity, and at its peak, FFF maintained an office staff of twenty-five."*

- ▶ 1968, Mark Lincoln Chadwin, "The Hawks of World War II", p. 170: *"The [Fight for Freedom] Committee consisted of Mrs. Calvin Coolidge (a Vice-Chairman of the Fight For Freedom); ... Laird Bell, attorney and president of the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations; attorney Henry B. Cabot; ... James B. Conant; William J. Donovan; ... Allen Dulles; Marshall Field [III]; Richard M. Griffith; Harold Guinzburg [publisher and co-founder of Viking Press, president of Viking/Penguin 1975, where he hired Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis; and father of Paris Review editor Thomas Guinzburg] ... Spyros Skouras [president 20th Century-Fox 1942-1962]... Dan Tobin, president of the Teamsters [Union]..."*
- ▶ December 30, 1940, Congressional Record (revealing there was some controversy about him at the time, if only from ultraright, isolationist corners): *"Members of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies are very much interested in companies selling war supplies and materials to the United States and to Great Britain. Many of them are directors and officials in these war-boom companies. ... Marshall Field, very active in financing the war propaganda in this country, has much money invested in ... Marshall Field, one of the backers to most of the [pro-]war groups and very active for intervention, signer of the telegram, etc., is a director of Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., with its millions of dollars worth of dollars, and of Marshall Field, also selling the Government goods."*
- ▶ Underwent psychoanalysis by Dr. Gregory Zilboorg in 1934 (similar to Ralph Ingersoll and Ernest Hemingway, as well as Edward M.M. Warburg and James P. Warbug), after his second divorce and immediately after the depths of the Great Depression. Reportedly heavily affected by the misery of the working class in this period and emerged as a more caring man. Hence, became a

supporter of FDR's New Deal of 1933 and 1935, which gave many basic rights to workers (maximum working hours, minimum wage, a ban on child labor, etc.)

- ▶ Founder of his Field Foundation and [Saul Alinsky's](#) Chicago-based Industrial Areas Foundation, both in 1940. Founded the Chicago Sun in 1941 and build a Chicago-based newspaper and book-publishing empire.
- ▶ Marshall Field III / Field Enterprises (founded in 1944) owned:
  - ▶ [Picture Magazine \(PM\)](#) (June 1940-June 1948): Left-leaning, strongly-pro-WWII-intervention magazine backed by Field, published in New York City. PM did not allow corporate advertizing and was only able to spread its daily newspaper (165,000 readers on average) because Field served as its "silent partner" from the start. Initially Field only owned 13%, but when other investors - like John Hay Whitney and other Pilgrims/CFR members with arguably future CIA ties - started to panic when circulation dwindled in late 1940, Field bought out all other investors.
  - ▶ The Chicago Sun (1941-1948): Newspaper on December 4, 1941 to counter the isolationist policy of the Chicago Tribune, owned by Colonel Robert McCormick. Still very close to Wall Street at this point.
    - ▶ 1975, Walter Trohan, 'Political Animals: Memoirs of a Sentimental Cynic': *"In order to help [Marshall Field's] paper get an Associated Press franchise, then a guarded possession, FDR had FBI agents call upon various small-town publishers and urge them to support Field's bid for a franchise. J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, later showed me the order he had received to undertake a campaign, which he considered above and beyond his unit's functions."*
  - ▶ The Chicago Daily Times (1947-1948).
  - ▶ The Chicago Sun-Times (1948-1983): Merger of the Chicago Sun and the Chicago Sun-Times.
  - ▶ Parade magazine (1941-1958; became the country's most widely circulated Sunday supplement, with a circulation of over 25 million in 135 newspapers).
  - ▶ Simon & Schuster book publisher (1944-1957).
  - ▶ Pocket Books (1944-1957).
  - ▶ World Book Encyclopedia (1945-1978).
  - ▶ Chicago Daily News (1959-1978).
  - ▶ Field Communications (1966-1983).
  - ▶ WFLD television (1966-).
- ▶ Co-founder and primary financier of [Saul Alinsky's](#) Chicago-based Industrial Areas Foundation, which helped eliminate the worst poverty in the Back of the Yards neighborhood by organizing disssent against unscrupulous corporations and landlords. Alinsky's network expanded coast to coast, also

towards organizing protests in black neighborhoods against corporations and local government.

- ▶ Initial purpose of the 1940-founded Field Foundation: support FDR's New Deal, help victims of the Great Depression, and fund a variety of NGOs against racism and in favor of the working classes:

- ▶ [fieldfoundation.org/about/history/](http://fieldfoundation.org/about/history/) (accessed: August 13, 2020): *"Established by Marshall Field III in 1940... Moved by the despair created during the Great Depression, he was inspired to help those struggling with poverty and endorsed a wide range of New Deal policies, activists and progressive thinkers. ...*

*Grants were made to among others, the American Council on Race Relations, Provident Medical Associates in Chicago (assisting African American physicians acquire specialized training) and the Research Center for Human Relations in New York (which worked on racial integration in housing)."*

- ▶ May 28, 2019, Philanthropy News Digest, 'Angelique Power, President, Field Foundation: Rethinking Racial Equity': *"Angelique Power: As someone who in the day practiced what we refer to today as racial equity and social justice grantmaking, Marshall Field III was a leading financial supporter of Saul Alinsky, the godfather of community organizing.*

*Marshall Field V is on our board..."*

- ▶ In 1945 Marshall Field III was a key seed financier of Roosevelt University (then Roosevelt College) in Chicago. It was founded by Edward J. Sparling, the president of Central YMCA College in Chicago, who left the university with scores of faculty and students in protest of suspicions that a quota system would be put in place by the college's board to limit the number of African Americans, Jews, immigrants, and women at the school.
- ▶ Starting in 1955, Marshall Field & Company (in which Marshall Field III only had a small stake, if any) financed the National Military Industrial Conferences and the [American Security Council](#), both deeply intertwined with the ultraright elements of the CIA and DOD. Sears, Roebuck - tied to the pro-Civil Rights [Norman Foundation](#) - was a co-founder:
  - ▶ Blog of Gregg Hilton [of the ASCF board], 'A Brief History of the American Security Council': *"Financial support for the National Military Industrial Conferences was provided by Sears, Roebuck and Company, Motorola, Marshall Field's, and Montgomery Ward's. The conferences would not have been possibly without a \$50,000 grant from the H. Smith Richardson Foundation."*
  - ▶ April 18, 1981, John S. Friedman, 'Culture War II', Nation

232, no. 15, pp. 452- 453: *"The Smith Richardson Foundation, which has C.I.A. officials among its consultants reviewing grants, provides management training to C.I.A. and Defense Department employees through an affiliate."*

► In 1960, four years after Marshall Field died, the Field Foundation was split up in a temporary New York City branch, headed by his widow and spent down in 1989; and a more permanent Illinois (the state where Chicago is located) branch (headquarters), headed by his son, Marshall Field IV. The latter foundation has continued to this day.

► May 28, 2019, Philanthropy News Digest, 'Angelique Power, President, Field Foundation: Rethinking Racial Equity': *"After [Marshall Field III] passed away in 1956, the foundation was broken up. His widow moved to New York and created the Field Foundation of New York, and his son, Marshall Field IV, stayed in Chicago and created the Field Foundation of [Chicago] Illinois. The Field Foundation of New York spent itself down after twenty years, while the Field Foundation of Illinois is what we today refer to as the Field Foundation."*

► [fieldfoundation.org/about/history/](http://fieldfoundation.org/about/history/) (accessed: August 13, 2020): *"Following Field III's death in 1956, it was apparent that the Foundation was being pulled in different directions. At one end was his widow, Ruth Field, based in New York and interested in national funding and on other, Field's son, Marshall Field IV, who wanted to make the Foundation more Chicago-based. In 1960, the Foundation was divided into two separate entities: The Field Foundation of New York, which was led by Field III's widow, Ruth, and the Field Foundation of Illinois, led by Field's son, Marshall Field IV. By 1989, as Ruth Field had directed, the Field Foundation of New York fully spent its assets and closed."*

► Throughout its existence, the Field Foundation has been extremely focused on racial integration in increasingly black- (and crime-)dominated Chicago. Headed by Leslie Dunbar from 1965 to 1980, who previously worked at the Southern Regional Council (research director 1958-1961; executive director 1961-1965), it was very much part of (radicalizing) the Civil Right movements and beyond:

► May 28, 2019, Philanthropy News Digest, 'Angelique Power, President, Field Foundation: Rethinking Racial Equity': *"The Field Foundation in the early '60s was a significant supporter of Dr. Martin Luther King, especially around some of the voter registration campaigns that Dr. King led."*

► January 12, 2017, New York Times, 'Leslie W. Dunbar, White Civil-Rights Leader of the '60s, Dies at 95': "



*[Dunbar] found a way to wed his liberalism to the cause of racial equality by pushing the Southern Regional Council, a politically moderate biracial civic and business group in Atlanta, into a more aggressive civil-rights role. ...*

*"When [Dunbar] came to the S.R.C. it was a pretty cautious organization, not quick to condemn segregation outright," said Jacquelyn Dowd Hall, a history professor at the University of North Carolina who worked at the council after Mr. Dunbar's time there. "I think Les really connected it to the grass-roots civil-rights movement as it gained momentum.""*

- January 7, 2017, the Atlanta Journal Constitution, 'Leslie Dunbar, behind-the-scenes figure in Atlanta's Civil Rights movement, has died': *"Dunbar was a passionate voice for acknowledging and following the black leadership of the Southern struggle. With Southern Leadership Christian Conference's Martin Luther King Jr. and the NAACP's Roy Wilkins, he helped to create the Voter Education Project, using the funds of the SRC to sponsor it.*

*Dunbar hired Wiley Branton and later, **Vernon Jordan, Jr.** [close Clinton ally who became a Bilderberg steering committee and Trilateral Commission member and served on the boards of the Ford and Rockefeller foundation], to direct the project which is credited with registering 2 million African-American voters in the 1960's. Dr. Dunbar was a guest at the signing of the Voting Rights Act at the White House in 1965.*

*Also in 1965, Dr. Dunbar moved with his family to New York to direct the Field Foundation ... until 1980. ...*

*Dunbar [also of the Norman Foundation] steered Field Foundation funds to provide substantial, probably primary, support for Martin Luther King's Poor People's Campaign, which continued through organizational difficulties after Dr. King's assassination [in April 1968]. Dunbar was instrumental in providing financial sustenance to ... La Raza, a leading Latino advocacy organization. ... Dunbar was an early and passionate objector to the war in Vietnam...*

*Dunbar was a "scholar-at-large" with the [elite-backed] **United Negro College Fund** in 1984-1985, and taught at Xavier University in New Orleans. His working career concluded at the **Ford Foundation**, where he published, "Minority Rights, What Has Happened to Blacks, Hispanics, American Indians & Other Minorities in the Eighties."*

- 2005, Gilbert Jonas, 'Freedom's Sword: The NAACP and the Struggle Against Racism in America, 1909-1969', p. 361: *"The left-of-center "activist" foundation leaders and boards, including the Field Foundation under Leslie Dunbar, the New York Foundation under John Heyman,*

the [New World Foundation](#) under Vernon Eagle [also home to Hillary Clinton and Bilderberg steering committee member Vernon Jordan], the [Stern Foundation](#) under Phil Stern, the Norman Foundation under Andrew Norman, and the Helen Rubinstein Foundation under Diane Goldstein, individually and **collectively rejected the NAACP [National Association for the Advancement of Colored people] as too "middle-of-the-road" or "middle class"...**

► May 28, 2019, Philanthropy News Digest, 'Angelique Power, President, Field Foundation: Rethinking Racial Equity': *"The decision to diversify the center of power at the foundation began in the 1980s [after Leslie Dunbar stepped down as head], and that's also something I attribute to Marshall Field V. It's because of Marshall that our last two board chairs — including Lyle Logan, who recently stepped down as chair after serving more than ten years in that role — have been persons of color. [So] we are not a family foundation [anymore], although we do have some family members on our ten-person board, including Marshall Field V, who is a director for life, and two other family members; everyone else [today] is a person of color."*

► The Field Foundation has a considerable (official) CIA link during the time of the civil rights movement through the activities of Leslie Dunbar, the head of the Field Foundation from 1965 to 1980. Dunbar came from the Southern Regional Council (research director 1958-1961; executive director 1961-1965), which was accused of taking CIA funds under his leadership. Dunbar later went to work for the Ford Foundation, which also has historic CIA ties. Dunbar also was loosely connected to the Norman Fund, which also took CIA money, all coincidentally for pro-Negro activities.

► April 7, 1967, Drew Pearson and Jack Anderson's Washington Merry-Go-Round (Washington Post, Times Herald, etc.), 'CIA Funds Aided Negro Registration': *"The main conduit for CIA money to help the Negro voter registration drive was the Southern Regional Council, which received \$60,000 [\$510,000 in 2019] of CIA funds in 1963. The money was channeled through the [New World Foundation](#) [later of Hillary Clinton and Bilderberg steering committee member and Trilateralist Vernon Jordan].*

*In 1962, \$6000 [\$51,000 in 2019] of CIA funds went to the Southern Research Council through the [Aaron E. Norman Fund](#). In 1962, the Georgia Council on Human Relations also got \$2600 [\$22,000 in 2019] of CIA money from the Norman Fund. ... Note: Fund officials deny any knowledge of CIA financial ties; nevertheless they are a*

*fact. ...*

*The National Students Association, which received massive contributions of CIA money, was also encouraged by the CIA to push voter registration drives in the South [for blacks]. ...*

*The CIA money ... to help Negro voting registration and militant civil rights groups ... was funneled through private foundations right under the nose of the Central Intelligence Watchdog Committee headed by Sen. Dick Russell, Georgia Democrat, and Rep. Mendel Rivers, the South Carolina Democrat. Both have made speeches denouncing the civil rights movement."*

- ▶ docsouth.unc.edu, Interview with Leslie W. Dunbar, December 8, 1972. Interview G-0075, Southern Oral History Program Collection (#4007): *"There was this son of a bitch, this guy who was working for the CIA, Mitchell Rogovin. I'm sure you know him. He was the CIA's guy within the Internal Revenue Service, and then represented the CIA before the Church Committee. He had become a big liberal lawyer in Washington, doing all the legal work for people like the [Institute for Policy Studies](#), and Highlander. He was over at the Internal Revenue Service, and DeWind and I went over to see him about the tax exemption for this new project. That was the only time I ever worked with him. ... It's just not so [Jack Anderson's accusations that my Southern Regional Council was given CIA money]. ... As far as I know, the truth of that CIA money is that the [Norman Foundation](#) [which I also was involved in to some degree] did take some CIA money as a conduit for some things that the CIA was doing in Africa."*

### **Flora Family Foundation**

- ▶ From the same couple that established the older and larger [William and Flora Hewlett Foundation](#).
- ▶ Flora Family Foundation history: *"The Flora Family Foundation was established in 1998 by the family of William R. Hewlett (co-founder of Hewlett Packard Company) and his late wife, Flora Lamson Hewlett."*
- ▶ florafamily.org/2011grantees.html (accessed: February 26, 2016)

### **Ford Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 1936 by Edsel Ford and Henry Ford. From 1947 to 1955 it owned 90% of the shares in the Ford Motor Company.

By 1974 it had sold all its holdings in the the company.

- ▶ Back in the 1950s and 1960s, the Ford Foundation, [Rockefeller Foundation](#), [Carnegie Corporation](#) and USAID took over CIA financing of the important America-Africa Institute in order to prevent any kind of negative backlash in the future.
  - ▶ 1983, Edward Berman, 'The Ideology of Philanthropy: The Influence of the Carnegie, Ford and Rockefeller Foundations on American Foreign Policy', pp. 131-132: *"The AAI [America-Africa Institute] was founded in Washington, D.C., in 1953 and soon became an important nongovernmental organization concerned with African-American relations. [11] Its private character was a major consideration when government officials began searching for an organization to administer the growing African scholarship programs in the mid-1950s, in response to impending independence for several West African countries. ... The Central Intelligence Agency was centrally involved in the institute's affairs and remained so for nearly a decade. The chairman of the institute's board of trustees during the 1950s admitted that "the largest proportion of the more than \$1 million which AAI spent in the 1950s came from the CIA." Nor did he find this particularly noteworthy, since he felt that "AAI's scholarship programs, as well as its other activities, served the interests of African students, the countries from which the students came, and the interests of the United States." Officers of the Carnegie, Ford, and Rockefeller foundations were distressed, however, when rumors about the CIA's support for the institute began to circulate more widely in the early 1960s. ... First, they feared that the public disclosure that such ostensibly independent organizations as AAI were in fact part of the American foreign-policy nexus would destroy whatever credibility they had developed for their own overseas projects, as well as their fellowship programs. The increasingly vocal Third-World claims regarding the omnipresence of the CIA, which was intent on insuring the continuance of indigenous regimes aligned with American interests, gained credibility as documentation of covert CIA activities affecting foreign nationals was revealed. Second, the Carnegie, Ford, and Rockefeller foundations were closely identified with the AAI through board memberships and program subsidies, associations that seemed certain to raise questions about their claims of disinterested concern for Third-World development. Several years before the 1967 disclosure about CIA funding for the institute, representatives of the foundations gathered and decided that deliberate action was necessary to place funding of the institute on a more*

*respectable footing. Without undue delay, consequently, officers of the three foundations--joined by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, whose president also served as chairman of AAI's board of trustees--agreed to underwrite the budget of the institute. Part of this effort to legitimate the institute's standing involved the recruitment of a new president. Ford Foundation officer Waldemar Nielsen agreed to accept the position, with the proviso that CIA funding ceased. Nielsen and institute trustee Harold Hochschild met with McGeorge Bundy, then President Kennedy's special assistant for national-security affairs and subsequently Ford Foundation president, who assured them that the CIA funds would be replaced by comparable funding from the Agency for International Development (formerly the International Cooperation Administration). After this meeting the level of Ford Foundation grants to the institute increased significantly. Throughout the 1950s and 1960s the ostensibly independent and nongovernmental AAI undertook numerous tasks for the United States government, as indeed did the major foundations."*

- ▶ In January 1953 David Rockefeller guaranteed his friend Allen Dulles the Ford Foundation presidency in case the newly-elected president Eisenhower would not select him as CIA director. Eisenhower did select Dulles. Rockefeller, Dulles and Eisenhower all belonged to the [Pilgrims Society](#), where this episode is discussed and sourced.
- ▶ When Rockefeller agent John McCloy (also a Pilgrim) was president of the Ford Foundation from 1958 to 1964, he appeased a number of executives by explaining that he went along with placing CIA agents in the Ford Foundation, because otherwise *"the CIA would simply penetrate the foundation quietly by recruiting or inserting staff at the lower levels."* This also has been discussed in ISGP's [Pilgrims Society](#) article.
- ▶ Henry Ford II was a member of the WWF's secretive [1001 Club](#), together with the Rockefellers, Rothschilds, Bechtels, Maurice Strong, Ford Motors president and Ford Foundation trustee Robert McNamara and other elites.
- ▶ The Ford Foundation has donated enormous amounts to all kinds of liberal mainstream and less mainstream programs since at least the 1950s. This includes [Pacifica Radio](#), [Democracy Now!](#), [The Nation](#), [Progressive magazine](#), [The American Prospect](#) magazine, [Political Research Associates](#) and other new left media outlets.
- ▶ Financier of Bilderberg and the Trilateral Commission:
  - ▶ 1963, Ford Foundation, 'Ford Foundation Grants in New York', p. 30: *"Bilderberg Conference program among Atlantic-community nations: \$85,345."*
  - ▶ 2000 annual report, Ford Foundation, p. 112: *"American*

## **Foundation for National Progress**

- ▶ The foundation behind Mother Jones magazine. Adam Hochschild was a co-founder of [Mother Jones](#) magazine. His father Harold K. Hochschild, key founder of the [Hochschild Foundation](#), was chair / then honorary chair of the elite and at one point CIA-backed African-America Institute (AAI: now called the [Africa-America Institute](#)), with board members as:
- ▶ [motherjones.com/about/philanthropy/programs.html](#) (February 13, 2006): *"Programs Supported by the Foundation for National Progress: ... The flagship project of the FNP, Mother Jones magazine, launched in February 1976..."*
- ▶ December 7, 2015, Mother Jones, 'There's One Piece of Democracy That Fat Cats Can't Buy': *"It takes about \$13 million to run Mother Jones at our current size. About 15 percent of that comes from advertising, while 15 percent comes from foundations (a few big ones like the [MacArthur Foundation](#) in Chicago, and a number of smaller family-based ones). Nearly 70 percent is from readers like you."*
- ▶ 2007, Bob Feldman, draft of an article that would later appear in the peer-reviewed journal Critical Sociology, 'Left Media & Left Think Tanks: Foundation-Managed Protest?' ([PDF](#)): *"Nor did [Beth] Schulman mention ... a \$500,000 grant from the Schumann Foundation [of Bill Moyers] that Mother Jones/Foundation for National Progress received in 1995."*
- ▶ 2007, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): *"Foundation for National Progress, San Francisco, CA. A two-year grant of \$100,000 for general support..."*
- ▶ [opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/foundation-for-national-progress-0](#) (accessed: december 16, 2015): *"Foundation for National Progress. Year: 2011. Location: San Francisco, CA. Amount: \$320,000. Term: two years. ... To support Mother Jones' Dark Money reporting project."*
- ▶ Rockefeller Brothers Fund: [rbf.org/grantees/foundation-for-national-progress](#) (accessed: december 16, 2015): *"\$25,000 for 1 year. Awarded: December 1, 2014. ... \$25,000 for 1 year. Awarded: August 5, 2013. ..."*
- ▶ ARCA Foundation, 'Supplementary Schedule of Grant Expenses. Year Ended December 31, 2009': *"Name of Grantee: ... - Foundation for National Progress. - Foundation for National Progress (The Media Consortium). ... - Institute for America's Future, Inc. - Institute for America's Future, Inc. ... - Institute for Policy Studies. ... - Institute for Media Analysis. ... - People of the American Way Foundation. - People of the American Way Foundation. ... - Tides Foundation. ... - Veterans*



*for peace (Iraq Veterans Against the War)."*

- ▶ July 9, 2011, Bob Feldman article on Wrong Kind of Green, 'FLASHBACK: Democracy Now! Show Funder Censors Anti-War Journalist John Pilger': *"According to the Lannan Foundation's Form 990 financial filing for 2008, Amy Goodman's Democracy Now! Productions was given three grants, totaling \$375,000, by the Lannan Foundation. And that same year the Lannan Foundation also gave three grants, totaling \$545,000, to The Nation!/Nation Institute alternative left media group and three grants, totaling \$475,000, to Foundation for National Progress/Mother Jones magazine. But the Lannan Foundation apparently doesn't want to allow anti-war journalists who criticize the Democratic Obama Administration's failure to end the endless U.S. military intervention in Iraq-Afghanistan-Pakistan-Libya-Yemen-Somalia to speak freely in the United States these days, as indicated by Australian anti-war journalist and anti-war filmmaker John Pilger's recent experience."*
- ▶ Discoverthenetworks, 'Foundation for National Progress': *"In 1986 Mother Jones hired a young Michigan underground newspaper founder named Michael Moore as its editor. Five months later, Moore was fired after he rejected an article by socialist Paul Berman, a piece that Moore claimed was "unfairly critical" of the [anti-U.S.-backed-Contra] Sandinista dictatorship in Nicaragua. Moore sued, claiming wrongful dismissal. He pocketed \$58,000 in an out-of-court settlement of his lawsuit, then used the money to produce his first film documentary, "Roger and Me"...*  
*The Mother Jones magazine and website are owned by the non-profit, tax-exempt Foundation for National Progress (FNP)... FNP has been supported by other left-leaning foundations, among them the [Arca Foundation](#), the [David and Lucile Packard Foundation](#), the Irving Harris Foundation, the [Joyce Foundation](#), Kansas City Community Foundation, the [Lannan Foundation](#), the [Park Foundation](#), the Bill Moyers-run [Schuman Center for Media and Democracy](#), and the Streisand Foundation. ... From 2002 to 2004, FNP received \$410,000 in foundation grants."*
- ▶ September 30, 2012, Frontpage Magazine (ultraconservative), 'Panicked' Soros Bankrolls Obama Campaign: Did left-wing 'Mother Jones' spike a story revealing the radical mega-funder's true state of mind?': *"The new donations were announced by Soros spokesman Michael Vachon at a luncheon Thursday hosted by the Democracy Alliance, an invitation-only club for radical plutocrats. (Former President Bill Clinton and former House Speaker Nancy Pelosi were also in attendance.) Members of the ultra-secretive Democracy Alliance have committed to swamping Democrats and president Obama's re-election campaign in an ocean of cash*

*this year. Donations could easily reach \$100 million or much more before Election Day, especially because other Democracy Alliance members are following Soros's lead. The ultra-secretive group, founded in 2005, is a financial clearinghouse that recommends to its wealthy members [various] projects and groups... With that said, it is a fact that the [Mother Jones] magazine's 501c3 nonprofit, Foundation for National Progress, has received funding through Soros's philanthropies, Open society Institute (\$225,000 since 2008) and Foundation to Promote Open Society (\$100,000 since 2010). Democracy Alliance chairman and Taco Bell heir Rob McKay was a member of the magazine's board. Through the McKay Foundation he has given the Foundation for National Progress \$165,000 since 1999. Democracy Alliance member and RealNetworks CEO Rob Glaser has given FNP \$211,329 since 1999. Another member, Stephen M. Silberstein, has given \$117,000 since 2001 through his eponymous foundation. The Soros-linked Tides Foundation, founded by Democracy Alliance member Drummond Pike, has kicked in \$126,417 since 2003."*

### **Diller - Von Furstenberg Family Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 1999 and overseen by billionaire Barry Diller, his wife since 2001, Princess Diane von Furstenberg, Diane's son Alexander von Furstenberg and Alexander's sister, Princess Tatiana von Fürstenberg.
  - ▶ [dvfff.org/directors/](http://dvfff.org/directors/) (accessed: April 29, 2017): *"BARRY DILLER: is the Chairman and Senior Executive of IAC and the Chairman and Senior Executive of Expedia, Inc. From 1995 to late 2010, Mr. Diller served as the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of IAC. From October 1984 to April 1992, Mr. Diller served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Fox, Inc. and was responsible for the creation of Fox Broadcasting Company in addition to Fox's motion picture operations. Before joining Fox, Mr. Diller served for 10 years as the Chairman and Chief Executive of Paramount... He serves on the boards of The Coca-Cola Company and the Graham Holdings Company (formerly The Washington Post Company). ... DIANE VON FURSTENBERG: ... Diane is married to Barry Diller. She has two children, Alexander and Tatiana... ALEXANDER VON FURSTENBERG ... TATIANA VON FURSTENBERG ..."*
- ▶ While very minor in the traditional "Liberal CIA" network here, the foundation has provided fund to [People for the American Way](#), [Oxfam America](#), [Mercy Corps](#), and the

[National Resources Defense Council](#). It is also more focused than usual on Jewish causes due to Barry Diller's heritage.

- ▶ 2005 annual report, Oxfam America, p. 35: "*\$100,000+: ... Flora Family Foundation ... William and Flora Hewlett Foundation ... J.P. Morgan Chase Foundation ... Omidyar Fund ... Rockefeller Foundation ... \$50,000 – \$99,999: ... Diller-von Furstenberg Family Foundation ... Ford Foundation ... Libra Foundation ... McKnight Foundation ... New York Times Company Foundation, Inc. Park Foundation ... Yahoo Inc.*"
- ▶ [mercycorps.org/articles/foundations-corporations-and-organizations](#) (donor July 2008 - June 2009; accessed: April 29, 2017): "*Arca Foundation ... Diller - Von Furstenberg Family Foundation ... Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation ... Hewlett Foundation .. Rockefeller Foundation [etc.]*"
- ▶ [dvfff.org/grantees/](#) (accessed: April 29, 2017): "*The Whitney Museum ... NYC Police Foundation ... The UCLA Foundation ... Tony Blair Faith Foundation ... Anti-Defamation League of Bnai Brith ... Human Rights Campaign ... Human Rights Watch ... International Rescue Committee ... People for the American Way ... US Holocaust Memorial Museum ... Carnegie Hall ... Metropolitan Museum of Art ... Paris Review ... Michael J. Fox Foundation ... Conservation International ... Natural Resources Defense Council...*"
- ▶ Barry Diller is a financier of the major pro-Third World immigration group [FWD.us](#) of Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg and Microsoft's Bill Gates.
- ▶ Diane von Furstenberg was married to Prince Egon von Furstenberg, whose mother was the eldest sister of Gianni Agnelli, the long-time Bilderberg participant and best friend of Henry Kissinger.
- ▶ Anno 2017 Diane's son, Alexander, is a director of InterActiveCorp, which, apart from [The Daily Beast](#), controls just about every online dating app: Tinder, OKCupid, BlackPeopleMeet.com and a dozen others. Other directors of InterActiveCorp are Chelsea Clinton, the daughter of Bill and Hillary; Edgar Bronfman, Jr., Michael Eisner and chairman Barry Diller. The latter was the predecessor of Rupert Murdoch at Fox and Diane von Furstenberg's present-day husband.
  - ▶ [iac.com/about/leadership](#) (accessed: April 29, 2017): "*IAC Senior Management: Barry Diller Chairman & Senior Executive ... Board of Directors: Barry Diller Chairman. ... Edgar Bronfman, Jr. ... Chelsea Clinton ... Michael Eisner ...*"
  - ▶ [iac.com/brand/match-group](#) (accessed: April 29, 2017): "*Match Group is the world's leading provider of dating*

products, with a portfolio of over 45 brands, including Match, OkCupid, Tinder, Meetic, Twoo, PlentyOfFish, OurTime, BlackPeopleMeet and FriendScout24, each designed to increase users' likelihood of finding a romantic connection. ... [Also:] Chemistry.com ... Delightful ... HowAboutWe ..."

- ▶ iac.com/brand/daily-beast (accessed: April 29, 2017): *"The Daily Beast was founded in 2008 as the vision of Tina Brown and IAC Chairman & Senior Executive Barry Diller."*
- ▶ iac.com/brands(accessed: April 29, 2017): *"About.com. Apalon ... Ask.com ... CollegeHumor.com ... Dictionary.com ... Investopedia. The Daily Beast ... Vimeo ..."*
- ▶ Diane von Furstenberg signed The Giving Pledge on August 4, 2010, the same date as superclass members Warren Buffett, David Rockefeller, Michael Bloomberg, Peter Peterson, David Rubenstein (Carlyle) and Pierre Omidyar.
- ▶ Barry Diller and Diane von Furstenberg are visitors of the annual Allen & Co.-organized [Sun Valley Meetings](#). Alexander von Furstenberg used to work for Allen & Co. early on in his career.
- ▶ Top [superclass member](#) Niall Ferguson has been a Furstenberg Family Foundation scholar: niallferguson.com/about (accessed: April 29, 2017): *"[Ferguson] is also ... the Diller-von Furstenberg Family Foundation Distinguished Scholar at the Nitze School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, DC."*
- ▶ ocvjc.org/news/diller-von-furstenberg-family-foundation-grants-10000-justice-league (accessed: April 29, 2017): *"The Diller-von Furstenberg Family Foundation has generously committed to providing a \$10,000 grant to The Justice League to help us continue our mission of preserving and protecting crime victims rights. This grant will be presented at the "Women in the World" Summit held on March 12-14 at the United Nations. The Summit will be attended by celebrities, activists and dignitaries including Madeleine Albright, Christiane Amanpour, Meryl Streep, Hillary Clinton, Her Majesty Queen Rania of Jordan, Thomas Friedman, Katie Couric and Cherie Blair. (to name only a few)"*
- ▶ In 2016, Furstenberg designed shirts for Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign.

## Google Foundation / Google.org

- ▶ The charitable arm of Google.com is Google.org, which is intertwined with the Google Foundation. Google.org's philanthropic spending comprises of 1% of Google.com's

annual profit plus the relatively small \$100 million endowment of the Google Foundation:

- ▶ July 22, 2015, The Guardian, 'Google's charitable chief: 'I have a strong sense of social justice': *"Most of the \$100m Google.org spends comes from Google's global profits – the company's founding documents stipulate that 1% of annual profits go to philanthropy. The rest comprises grants from the Google Foundation, which was established in 2005 with a \$90m endowment following Google's stock market listing, to support its philanthropic aims. ...*

*Doesn't that notion of being a good citizen run counter to Google's paying only £21.6m corporation tax in the UK on revenues of \$5.6bn (£3.6bn) in 2013? If it paid more tax, surely there'd be less need for philanthropy."*

- ▶ Google has [major Democrat Party, Rockefeller, Bilderberg and Trilateral Commission](#), and, through its [Jigsaw think tank](#), [even covert operations ties](#). Its earliest history at Stanford also involved [CIA, NSA, MITRE and DARPA oversight](#) through the Digital Library Initiative (DLI) and Massive Digital Data Systems (MDDS) programs.
- ▶ The Google Foundation has helped finance immigration reform groups as [FWD.us](#) (or at least top Google executives have) and [AgainstViolentExtremism.org](#), the key "fake news" "fact-checking" network of the [Poynter Institute for Media Studies](#), the [Wikileaks-linked Tor Project](#) and [Bureau of Investigative Journalism](#), and the [Buckminster Fuller Institute](#).
- ▶ Google is tightly linked to the annual Billionaire's Dinners of the [Edge Foundation](#).
- ▶ Larry Brilliant, the former executive director of the Google Foundation / Google.org got involved with [Skoll Foundation](#) and also has been very close to the [psychedelics community](#), including through the [Seva Foundation](#) and Dr. Richard Rockefeller, David Rockefeller's son.
- ▶ The corporate entity Google has also been financing large amounts of activist groups and on top of that is a top Washington, D.C. lobbyist:
  - ▶ April 12, 2016, Washington Post, 'Google, once disdainful of lobbying, now a master of Washington influence': *"Google has soared to near the top of the city's lobbying ranks, placing second only to General Electric in corporate lobbying expenditures in 2012 and fifth place in 2013.*  
*The company gives money to nearly 140 business trade groups, advocacy organizations and think tanks, according to a Post analysis of voluntary disclosures by the company, which, like many corporations, does not reveal the size of its donations. That's double the number of groups Google funded four years ago.*

*This summer, Google will move to a new Capitol Hill office, doubling its Washington space to 55,000 square feet — roughly the size of the White House.*

*Google's increasingly muscular Washington presence matches its expanded needs and ambitions as it has fended off a series of executive- and legislative-branch threats to regulate its activities and well-funded challenges by its corporate rivals. ...*

*Cato ... has benefited from the company's investments, receiving \$480,000 worth of in-kind "ad words" from Google last year, according to people familiar with the donation."*

### **Hugh M. Hefner Foundation**

- ▶ Small foundation founded in 1964 by Playboy head Hugh Hefner. Provided the \$5,000 seed money for the founding of marijuana lobby [NORML](#) in 1970. Co-financier of George Soros' [Drug Policy Alliance](#).
- ▶ Christie Hefner visited the liberal [Edge Foundation Billionaires' Dinner](#) of 2002.
- ▶ January 12, 2016, Inside Philanthropy, 'Here's What You Need to Know About Hef and His Philanthropy': *"Playboy mogul Hugh Hefner started his famous publication in the early 1950s [1953], with Marilyn Monroe on the cover of the first issue. Playboy made news again recently when it announced that it would no longer publish photos of nude women. Now, guys really will have to read it for the articles. ... Perhaps you didn't know, though, that Hefner was, on some level, ahead of the curve on civil rights. His Playboy's Penthouse TV variety show, which ran from 1959 to 1961, included performances by integrated groups during a time when TV was mostly populated by white faces. ... and Playboy itself has also been a source of solid journalism over the years. .... The controversial mogul, who's currently worth \$50 million by one estimate, established the Hugh M. Hefner Foundation all the way back in 1964. ... Typical grants range between \$5,000 and \$10,000. In a recent fiscal year, the foundation did \$116,000 in grantmaking. ... Recent grantees include Student Press Law Center, [People for the American Way](#), [ACLU Foundation of Southern California](#), and [Foundation for Individual Rights in Education \(FIRE\)](#)... Hefner's Rational Sex and Drugs Policy program [promotes weed and psychedelics legalization] ... Recent grantees include [Drug Policy Alliance](#), [Planned Parenthood](#), and [The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender, and Reproduction at Indiana University](#). additionally, Hefner has supported outfits such as [Children of the Night](#) [to save children from prostitution]..."*



- ▶ October 12, 2015, New York Times, 'Nudes Are Old News at Playboy': *"The latest [Playboy magazine] redesign, 62 years later, is more pragmatic. The magazine had already made some content safe for work, Mr. Flanders said, in order to be allowed on social media platforms like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, vital sources of web traffic. In August of last year, its website dispensed with nudity. As a result, Playboy executives said, the average age of its reader dropped from 47 to just over 30, and its web traffic jumped to about 16 million from about four million unique users per month. ... "The difference between us and Vice," [Playboy CEO Scott Flanders] said, "is that we're going after the guy with a job.""*
- ▶ Additional tie of Playboy to the psychedelics community:
  - ▶ 1984, Stewart Tendler and Davaid May, 'The Brotherhood of Eternal Love: From Flower Power to Hippie Mafia', chapter 2: *"[LSD pioneer Michael] Hollingshead [who gave Leary his first LSD trip] founded the Agora Foundation in New York with the aid of Victor Lowmes, the crown prince of the Playboy empire [under Hugh Hefner, whose confidant and vice president he was], and the finance of Howard Teague, a Nassau millionaire."*

### William and Flora Hewlett Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 1966 by William Hewlett, the president of Hewlett Packard (HP) from 1964 to 1977. Today one of the biggest foundations with billions in assets. Extremely focused on sustainability, also through the [Flora Family Foundation](#).
- ▶ Others involved in the foundation: Hal Harvey (environmental program director 2002-2008; founding president [Energy Foundation](#) 1991-2002; founder and CEO of the [ClimateWorks Foundation](#) 2008-2011), Larry Kramer (president; director [ClimateWorks](#)).

### Harold K. Hochschild Foundation

- ▶ Harold K. Hochschild Foundation (in existence 1980-2012) of the Hochschild family, which founded [Mother Jones](#), finances all the usual NGOs: [hkhfoundation.org/grantees](#) (accessed: November 30, 2011): *"[Friends of the Earth](#) ... [Greenpeace Fund](#) ... [International Forum on Globalization](#) ... [Sierra Club Foundation](#) ... [Wildlife Conservation Society](#) ... [Federation of American Scientists](#) ... [Institute for Policy Studies](#) ... [National Resources Defense Council](#) ... [The Tides Foundation](#) ... [Transnational Institute](#) ... [American Civil Liberties Union](#) ... [People for the American Way](#) ... [Center for American Progress](#) ... [Center for Media and Democracy](#) ... [Common Cause](#)*

*Education Fund ... [Media Matters for America](#) ... "*

- ▶ Harold K. Hochschild's son, Adam Hochschild, was a co-founder of [Mother Jones](#) magazine. Harold himself was chair - and then honorary chair - of the elite and at one point CIA-backed African-America Institute (AAI: often called Africa-America Institute, but annual reports state otherwise), which was dominated by individuals from the [Rockefeller](#), [Ford](#) and [Carnegie](#) foundations. In fact, these foundations, along with USAID, took over funding from the CIA. All details provided in the [Foundation for National Progress](#) section, which founded and controls Mother Jones magazine, and also supports the [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#) which aids NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden and Wikileaks founder Julian Assange.

### Joyce Foundation

- ▶ Based on the fortune of "lumbar baron" David Joyce (1825-1904). Joyce's Chicago-based heiress Beatrice Joyce Kean set up the Joyce Foundation in 1948.
- ▶ Endowment of \$950 million by 2017.
- ▶ **Barack Obama** was a trustee of the Joyce Foundation from 1994 to 2002:
  - ▶ October 16, 2008, World Net Daily, 'The Groups Obama Kept Off His Resume': *"Obama joined the Board of Directors of the Chicago-based Joyce Foundation in 1994 and served on its board until 2002."*
  - ▶ 1998 annual report, Joyce Foundation, p. 21: *"Board of Directors: John T. Anderson, Chairman. Richard K. Donahue, Vice Chairman. ... Barack Obama."*
  - ▶ 2001 annual report, Joyce Foundation, p. 66: *"Board of Directors: Chairman: John T. Anderson. Vice Chairman: Richard K. Donahue. Ellen S. Alberding. Robert G. Bottoms. Carin A. Clauss. Charles U. Daly. Anthony S. Earl. Roger R. Fross. Carlton L. Guthrie. Marion T. Hall. Barack Obama. Paula Wolff."*
- ▶ The Joyce Foundation grant activity was closely linked to Obama's chairmanship of the Chicago Annenberg Challenge [a project of the [Annenberg Foundation](#)] which Obama came to chair and also counted the involvement of Obama's radical friend Bill Ayers.
- ▶ Member of the [Rockefeller Family Fund](#)'s Environmental Grantmakers Association and also an occasional donor to the Rockefeller Family Fund during Obama's term on the board and beyond:
  - ▶ 1999 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"Environmental Grantmakers Association, Rockefeller Family Fund, Inc.: ... \$18,000 [and] Amount: \$2,305. Duration: 1 year."*

*Membership support."*

- ▶ 2001 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"Rockefeller Family Fund, Inc.: ... \$250,000. ... Environmental Grantmakers Association, Rockefeller Family Fund, Inc.: New York, NY \$5,452 Membership grant. (1 yr.) [plus] \$15,000."*
- ▶ 2003 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"Rockefeller Family Fund, Inc.: ... \$200,000. To evaluate the performance of Great Lakes states in preventing water pollution and recommend improvements. ... Environmental Grantmakers Association, Rockefeller Family Fund, Inc.: New York, NY \$5,450 Membership grant. (1 yr.) [plus] \$10,000."*
- ▶ 2010 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"Rockefeller Family Fund, Inc.: ... \$110,000 [and] \$200,000."*
- ▶ Partner of all the key major foundations in the financing of environmental groups as [Friends of the Earth](#), [Sierra Club](#), [Natural Resources Defense Council](#), [World Wildlife Fund](#) and [Greenpeace](#).
- ▶ [Pro-immigration groups](#) financed include the National Council of La Raza and the American Friends Service Committee.
- ▶ [Feminist groups](#) financed include the 9-to-5 Working Women Education Fund and the League of Women Voters.
- ▶ Also financed the [Tides Foundation](#), [Mother Jones' Foundation for National Progress](#), [National Public Radio \(NPR\)](#) and David Brock's [Media Matters for America](#).
- ▶ 2001 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"9-to-5 Working Women Education Fund: ... \$100,000. ... Canadian Environmental Defence Fund: ... \$180,000 ... Environmental Law Institute: ... \$50,000. ... Friends of the Chicago River: ... \$29,600. ... Pollution Probe Foundation: ... \$75,000. ... Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development: ... \$60,000 ... Sierra Club Foundation: ... \$160,000. ... World Wildlife Fund, Inc.: ... \$150,000. ... Environmental and Energy Study Institute: ... \$125,000. ... Environmental Defense, Inc.: ... \$400,000 ... World Resources Institute: ... \$78,750. ... William J. Brennan, Jr. Center for Justice, Inc.: ... \$300,000. ... League of Women Voters of Illinois Education Fund: ... \$579,616. ... Public Interest Research Group [PIRG] in Michigan Education Fund: ... \$40,000. ... Alliance for Justice, Inc.: ... \$75,000. ... Heartland Alliance: ... \$75,000. ... University of Chicago Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture: ... \$148,000. ... Northwestern University J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management: ... \$760,000."*
- ▶ 2010 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"National Wildlife Federation ... \$337,860. ... Natural Resources Defense Council Inc. ... \$450,000. ... World Resources Institute: ... \$300,000. ... National Wildlife Federation: ... \$400,000. ... Media Matters for America: ... \$400,000. ... Educational Fund to Stop Gun*

Violence ... \$125,000 ... *Legal Community Against Violence*: ... \$300,000. ... *The Brookings Institution*: ... \$50,000 [and] \$200,000. ... *League of Women Voters* [different national chapters]: \$50,000 ... \$120,000 ... \$75,000 ... \$105,000 ... \$250,000 [and] \$60,000. ... *Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund*: ... \$75,000. ... *Latino Policy Forum*: ... \$125,000. ... *National Public Radio Inc.*: ... \$150,000. ... *Taproot Foundation*: ... \$50,000. ... *Aspen Institute Inc.*: ... \$49,650 [and] \$1,000,000. ... *GuideStar*: ... \$5,000. To support the completion of the *GuideStar* website for the 2008 IRS Form 990. (1 yr.) ... *Philanthropy Roundtable*: ... \$1,000. 2010 Membership Grant."

- ▶ February 2014, Capital Research Center's Foundation Watch, 'The Joyce Foundation Betraying donor intent in the Windy City', p 5: "*Joyce [Foundation] funds the Brookings Institution (\$3,481,080 since 1998); Aspen Institute (\$1,989,650 since 2005); ... and the John Podesta-founded, George Soros-funded Center for American Progress (\$863,329 since 2005). It also funds the ... [American Civil Liberties Union Foundation](#) (\$225,000 since 2002)... the Tides Center (\$625,000 since 1998)...*  
*It has funded the Chicago Annenberg Challenge (\$370,000 since 1998)...*  
*Joyce gave \$75,000 in 2006 for a symposium on gun rights at Stanford Law School and \$75,000 in 2008 for research on gun regulation. [etc.]"*

## Kellogg Foundation

- ▶ [wkkf.org/who-we-are/overview](http://wkkf.org/who-we-are/overview) (accessed: March 26, 2016): "*The W.K. Kellogg Foundation was established in 1930 by breakfast cereal pioneer W.K. Kellogg ... Today, the organization ranks among the world's largest private foundations, awarding grants in the United States, Mexico, Haiti, northeastern Brazil and southern Africa.*"
- ▶ [rockpa.org/page.aspx?pid=339](http://rockpa.org/page.aspx?pid=339) (accessed: March 26, 2016): "*In 2006, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation reached out to Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors building on its efforts to promote philanthropy in communities of color and to maximize innovation and impact. ... Over three years, 30 grants were awarded to 23 organizations through the Cultures of Giving Fund, a special project of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors established with a grant from the Kellogg Foundation.*"
- ▶ [activistfacts.com/foundation/42-WKKelloggFoundation/](http://activistfacts.com/foundation/42-WKKelloggFoundation/) (accessed: March 26, 2016): "*Friends of the Earth \$20,000 1999 ... Natural Resources Defense Council \$85,934 1997 ... Tides Foundation & Tides Center \$10,410,772 2006...*"
- ▶ [tides.org/i-want-to/increase-my-foundations-impact-capacity](http://tides.org/i-want-to/increase-my-foundations-impact-capacity)

(accessed: September 3, 2015): *"In partnership with institutions like The California Endowment, The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, [George Soros'] Open Society Institute, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, [Bill & Melinda] Gates Foundation, Ford Foundation, and many others, we have granted hundreds of millions of dollars."*

- ▶ January 9, 2015, Capital Research Center (financed by Koch, Scaife and Bradley foundations), 'Trendsetters of the Left': *"The American Prospect magazine functions as a nonprofit organization. In addition to publishing a magazine, it routinely organizes progressive conferences. ... Institutional donors to [The American Prospect Inc.](#) include ... W.K. Kellogg Foundation (\$197,500 since 2012)."*

### John S. and James L. Knight Foundation

- ▶ Origin as the Knight Memorial Education Fund in 1940. Name changed to the Knight Foundation in 1950. Renamed to the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation in 1993.
- ▶ Founded by James L. Knight and his brother John S. Knight of the Knight-Ridder group of newspapers.
- ▶ Located in Miami, Florida since 1990.
- ▶ Few CFR members on the board, but the president and CEO has been since at least 1998 (sources: annual reports 2000, 2007, 2022):
  - ▶ **Hodding Carter III:** Member CFR 1977-. President and CEO Knight Foundation 1998-2005.
  - ▶ **Alberto Ibarguen:** Member CFR 2001-. President and CEO Knight Foundation 2005-, still anno 2022.
  - ▶ **Paul E. Steiger:** Member CFR '87-. Trustee Knight Foundation anno 2007.
  - ▶ **Stephanie Bell-Rose:** Member CFR 1994-. Program officer Andrew W. Mellon Foundation 1988-1999. Founding president and managing director Goldman Sachs Foundation 1999-2009. Trustee Knight Foundation anno 2022. Trustee MacArthur Foundation anno 2022.
  - ▶ **Adriana Cisneros:** Term member CFR 2011-2016. Daughter of Gustavo Cisneros, a past member of the international advisory board and a good friend of David Rockefeller. Trustee Knight Foundation anno 2022.

### Lannan Foundation

- ▶ Anno 2016 there's still very little information available about this foundation's exact grant-making. It certainly does fund [Democracy Now!](#), [Mother Jones](#) magazine and [The Nation](#) magazine. Also put \$2,000 in the pockets of [Counterpunch](#)

magazine. Foundation founder J. Patrick Lannan can easily be linked to the CIA through his 36-year directorship of IT&T, notorious for involvement in Latin American coups and former CIA director John McCone on the board. Various other elites could also be found on the board.

- ▶ September 27, 1983, New York Times, 'J. Patrick Lannan, Ex-Director of I.T.T. and Backer of Arts': *"Mr. Lannan was a director of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation for 36 years. He retired as director emeritus last May. He was also a director and member of the executive committee of the Macmillan Publishing Company, and a past chairman of the board of trustees of the magazine Poetry. ... In 1962, Mr. Lannan was one of 10 Americans chosen by the American Schools and Colleges Association to receive its annual Horatio Alger Award. At that time, he was chairman of the Susquehanna Corporation, an investment-banking concern in Chicago, and was on the boards or the executive committees of 19 major corporations. Mr. Lannan established the Lannan Foundation to give financial help to needy artists and writers."*
- ▶ [law.justia.com/cases/federal/appellate-courts/F2/495/1308/255466/](http://law.justia.com/cases/federal/appellate-courts/F2/495/1308/255466/) (accessed: December 18, 2015): *"Fed. Sec. L. Rep. P 94,481 Hilda Herbst, Plaintiff-appellee, v. International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation et al., defendants-appellants, 495 F.2d 1308 (2d Cir. 1974) Annotate this Case U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit - 495 F.2d 1308 (2d Cir. 1974) Argued Jan. 9, 1974. Decided April 3, 1974. ... defendants-appellants International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. [include] Harold S. Geneen ... Eugene R. Black ... J. Patrick Lannan, John A. McCone and ... Felix G. Rohatyn. ... This appeal from the District of Connecticut by the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation (ITT) and its directors..."*
- ▶ 2015, Hayden Herrera, 'Listening to Stone: The Art and Life of Isamu Noguchi', p. 433: *"The guest list for the Pace show's opening ... reads like a who's who of the Manhattan art world. It included ... Ann Rockefeller Costa, Mary T. Rockefeller... Angier Biddle Duke... Louis Auchincloss... Patrick Lannan, and Christophe de Menil."*
- ▶ 2014, Charles R. Geisst, 'Encyclopedia of American Business History', p. 244: *"[Lazard] benefited from the postwar merger boom in the United States. Meyer and a younger partner, Felix Rohatyn, aligned themselves with Harold Geneen at the ITT Corporation, and Lazard became ITT's major merger banker. The firm helped the corporation with many of its major acquisitions as it built itself into a conglomerate and also served other*



*companies. Much of the firm's success in the 1960s and 1970s was built around the relationship with ITT."*

- ▶ [lannan.org/about/history/](http://lannan.org/about/history/) (accessed: December 18, 2015): *"In 1960 J. Patrick Lannan, Sr., entrepreneur and financier, established Lannan Foundation. A self-educated scholar and liberal thinker, he believed strongly in the social importance of charitable programs and in the cultural importance of innovative and controversial forms of visual and literary art."*
- ▶ [lannan.org/about/board/](http://lannan.org/about/board/) (accessed: December 18, 2015): *"Patrick Lannan, President Sharon A. Ferrill William E. Johnston John R. Lannan Lawrence P. Lannan, Jr. Frank C. Lawler, Vice President Mary M. Plauché Marian P. Day Karen Hetherington David Ungerleider, SJ Penn Szitty In memoriam: The board and staff of the foundation wish to express their appreciation for the invaluable contributions made by the late board members, James G. Butler, Colleen Lannan Dillon, Anne Lannan, Patricia Lannan Lawler, and Tscheng S. Feng, M.D. "*
- ▶ July 9, 2011, Bob Feldman article on Wrong Kind of Green, 'FLASHBACK: Democracy Now! Show Funder Censors Anti-War Journalist John Pilger': *"According to the Lannan Foundation's Form 990 financial filing for 2008, Amy Goodman's Democracy Now! Productions was given three grants, totaling \$375,000, by the Lannan Foundation. And that same year the Lannan Foundation also gave three grants, totaling \$545,000, to The Nation!/Nation Institute alternative left media group and three grants, totaling \$475,000, to Foundation for National Progress/Mother Jones magazine. But the Lannan Foundation apparently doesn't want to allow anti-war journalists who criticize the Democratic Obama Administration's failure to end the endless U.S. military intervention in Iraq-Afghanistan-Pakistan-Libya-Yemen-Somalia to speak freely in the United States these days, as indicated by Australian anti-war journalist and anti-war filmmaker John Pilger's recent experience."*
- ▶ [lannan.org/bios/noam-chomsky/](http://lannan.org/bios/noam-chomsky/)
- ▶ [lannan.org/bios/richard-falk/](http://lannan.org/bios/richard-falk/): *"Richard Falk is Professor Emeritus of International Law and Practice at Princeton University and Research Fellow at Orfalea Center of Global Studies, University of California at Santa Barbara. He was chair of the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation's Board of Directors until 2012, served as honorary vice president of the American Society of International Law, and is a member of The Nation editorial board. From 2008 – 2014 he served as special rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories for the United Nations. "*
- ▶ [lannan.org/bios/hamilton-fish/](http://lannan.org/bios/hamilton-fish/): *"Hamilton Fish is the President and CEO of The Nation Institute [and a Soros employee]..."*

- ▶ [lannan.org/bios/amy-goodman/](http://lannan.org/bios/amy-goodman/) (former employee of [Pacifica Radio](#) and host of [Democracy Now!](#))
- ▶ [podcast.lannan.org/tag/democracy-now/](http://podcast.lannan.org/tag/democracy-now/)
- ▶ [lannan.org/bios/glenn-greenwald/](http://lannan.org/bios/glenn-greenwald/): *"Glenn Greenwald is an editor, journalist, constitutional lawyer and commentator. [Won the] Online Journalism Award for Best Commentary for his coverage of U.S. Army Private Chelsea Manning in 2010. Foreign Policy magazine named him one of the top 100 Global Thinkers for 2013. His columns have been featured at Guardian US and Salon. He is currently an editor with Laura Poitras and Jeremy Scahill at Pierre Omidyar's new media project, [The/Intercept](#)..."*
- ▶ [lannan.org/literary/detail/jeremy-scahill/](http://lannan.org/literary/detail/jeremy-scahill/): *"Jeremy Scahill ... has reported from Afghanistan, Iraq, Somalia, Yemen, Nigeria, the former Yugoslavia and elsewhere across the globe. Scahill has served as the National Security Correspondent for [The Nation](#) magazine and [Democracy Now!](#). Scahill's work has sparked several Congressional investigations and won some of journalism's highest honors. He was twice awarded the prestigious George Polk Award, in 1998 for foreign reporting and in 2008 for his book *Blackwater*. In 2013 he was a recipient of the Donald Windham-Sandy M. Campbell literature prize at Yale University. Scahill is a producer and writer of the award-winning film *Dirty Wars*, which premiered at the 2013 Sundance Film Festival and has been nominated for an Academy Award. He is currently an editor with Laura Poitras and Glenn Greenwald at Pierre Omidyar's new media project, [The/Intercept](#), a publication of First Look Media."*
- ▶ July 7, 2011, John Pilger for Global Research, 'The Strange Silencing of Liberal America': *"How does political censorship work in liberal societies? When my film, *Year Zero: the Silent Death of Cambodia*, was banned in the United States in 1980, the broadcaster PBS cut all contact. Negotiations were ended abruptly; phone calls were not returned. Something had happened. But what? *Year Zero* had already alerted much of the world to the horrors of Pol Pot, but it also investigated the critical role of the Nixon administration in the tyrant's rise to power and the devastation of Cambodia. Six months later, a PBS official told me, "This wasn't censorship. We're into difficult political days in Washington. Your film would have given us problems with the Reagan administration. Sorry." ... The Lannan Foundation in Santa Fe, New Mexico, believes in free speech. The foundation's website says it is "dedicated to cultural freedom, diversity and creativity". Authors, filmmakers, poets make their way to a sanctum of liberalism bankrolled by the billionaire Patrick Lannan in the tradition of Rockefeller and Ford. Lannan also awards "grants" to America's liberal media, such as Free Speech TV, the Foundation for National Progress (publisher of the magazine*

Mother Jones), the Nation Institute and the TV and radio programme Democracy Now! In Britain, Lannan has been a supporter of the Martha Gellhorn Prize for Journalism, of which I am one of the judges. In 2008, Patrick Lannan personally supported the presidential campaign of Barack Obama. According to the Santa Fe New Mexican, he is "devoted" to Obama. On 15 June, I was due in Santa Fe, having been invited to share a platform with the distinguished American journalist David Barsamian. The foundation was also to host the US premiere of my new film, *The War You Don't See*, which investigates the false image-making of war-makers, especially Obama. I was about to leave for Santa Fe when I received an email from the Lannan official organising my visit. The tone was incredulous. "Something has come up," she wrote. Patrick Lannan had called her and ordered all my events to be cancelled. "I have no idea what this is all about," she wrote. Baffled, I asked that the premiere of my film be allowed to go ahead as the US distribution largely depended on it. She repeated that "all" my events were cancelled, "and this includes the screening of your film". On the Lannan website "cancelled" appeared across a picture of me. There was no explanation. None of my phone calls was returned, nor subsequent emails answered. A Kafka world of not-knowing descended. The silence lasted a week until, under pressure from local media, the foundation put out a brief statement that too few tickets had been sold to make my visit "viable" and that "the Foundation regrets that the reason for the cancellation was not explained to Mr. Pilger or to the public at the time the decision was made". Doubts were cast by a robust editorial in the Santa Fe New Mexican, The paper, which has long played a prominent role in promoting Lannan events, disclosed that my visit had been cancelled before the main advertising and previews were published. A full-page interview with me had to be hurriedly pulled. "Pilger and Barsamian could have expected closer to a packed 820-seat Lensic [arts centre]." The manager of The Screen, the Santa Fe cinema that had been rented for the premiere, was called late at night and told to kill all his online promotion for my film, but took it upon himself to re-schedule the film for 23 June. It was a sell-out, with many people turned away. The idea that there was no public interest was demonstrably not true. ... The reaction to the Lannan ban has been illuminating. The brave, like the great whistleblower Daniel Ellsberg, were appalled and said so. Similarly, many ordinary Americans called into radio stations and have written to me, recognising a symptom of far greater suppression. But some exalted liberal voices have been affronted that I dared whisper the word, censorship, about such a beacon of "cultural freedom".

► [activistfacts.com/organizations/131-greenpeace/](http://activistfacts.com/organizations/131-greenpeace/) (accessed:

November 27, 2015): "\$ Donations (Click headers to sort): ... Lannan Foundation \$200,000. 1996."

## Lawrence M. Gelb Foundation

- ▶ Small foundation. Listed here because it has provided the new age [Esalen Institute](#), once a favorite of Laurance Rockefeller, with funding, along with the Mellon-linked [Roy A. Hunt Foundation](#). The Gelb family is solidly part of the superclass.
- ▶ fdo.foundationcenter.org, 'Lawrence M. Gelb Foundation, Inc.': *"11 Times Sq. New York City, NY... Background: Established in 1957 in NY - Founded by the late Lawrence M. Gelb, who, along with his wife, Joan Clair, founded the Clairol (now a personal-care product division of Proctor & Gamble) hair color company in 1931. ... Financial data: Year ended 2013-12-31. Assets: \$2,996,676 (market value). Gifts received: \$449,360. Expenditures: \$571,629. Total giving: \$534,000. Qualifying distributions: \$538,770. Giving activities include: \$534,000 for 74 grants (high: \$82,000; low: \$1,000)."*
- ▶ Grants (Esalen Institute only in 2002 and 2003):
  - ▶ 2002, From 990, Lawrence M. Gelb Foundation (grants): *"English Speaking Union: 2,000. Esalen Institute: 10,000. ... George Bush Presidential Library: 50,000. ... Harvard Business School: 25,000 ... Krav Maga Assn. of America: 30,000 ... Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center: 752,000 ... Museum of Modern Art: 3,000 ... Phillips Academy Andover: 110,000 ... Yale University: 302,000."*
  - ▶ 2003, From 990, Lawrence M. Gelb Foundation (grants): *"Center for Security Policy: 10,000 ... Council of American Ambassadors: ... 15,000. Council on Foreign Relations: ... 35,000 ... Esalen Institute: ... 21,000 ... George Bush Forty One Endowment Fund: ... 25,000 ... Harvard Business School: ... 25,000 ... Metropolitan Museum of Art: ... 50,000 ... Museum of Modern Art: ... 3,500 ... New York City Police Foundation ... 265,000 ... Phillips Academy Andover: ... 60,000 ... Sierra Club: ... 2,000 ... Yale University: ... 23,000 ... "*
- ▶ Summer 2004, Andover Bulletin, p. 42, 'Remembering Richard Gelb: Andover science benefactor dies at 79': *"[Richard] Gelb's mother was named Joan Gelb, but professionally she called herself Joan Clair, and the signature product was Miss Clairol-the first home hair-coloring product to gain mass-market acceptance. ... When Bristol-Myers, a major pharmaceutical and health products company, decided to buy Clairol in 1959, Gelb stayed on as president of Clairol and became a director of Bristol-Myers in 1960. ... [Richard Gelb] helped found the New York City Police Foundation with Mayor John V. Lindsay, and with his brother, Bruce Gelb '45, he ran the Lawrence M.*

*Gelb Foundation, a family philanthropic foundation named for his father."*

- ▶ Gelb family members/directors:
  - ▶ **Lawrence M. Gelb:** Father after whom the foundation is named. Director of Bristol-Myers Squibb since 1960.
  - ▶ **Bruce Gelb:** Son of Lawrence. Attended Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts, with George H. W. Bush in the early 1940s. BA from Yale in 1950 and an MBA from Harvard in 1953. Vice chairman of Bristol-Myers Squibb. Superclass member with involvement in the Wilson Center (council president), CFR, United States Information Agency (director), Center for Security Policy (honorary chair and regent) and several other groups.
  - ▶ **Richard Gelb:** Son of Lawrence. Brother of Bruce. Yale and Harvard background. Director Bristol-Myers Squibb 1960-1967, president 1967-1976, CEO 1972-1993, chair 1976-1995. The company net earnings grew from \$76 million to over \$2 billion in this period. Charter member Phillips Academy 1976-1994. Co-founder New York City Police Foundation with mayor John V. Lindsay (Scroll & Key; brother Robert a Pilgrims executive). Director CFR. Trustee George Bush Presidential Library Foundation anno 2001. Trustee Committee for Economic Development (CED) anno 2001.
- ▶ Grants:
  - ▶ Summer 2002, volume 14, number 2, Friends of Esalen newsletter, '[Esalen Institute](#) Turns Forty', pp. 1-2: *"We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many wonderful Friends of Esalen who generously support our operations and special projects. ... CENTURY CIRCLE - gifts of \$10,000 or more: Anonymous in the name of Anumotana · Lawrence M. Gelb Foundation, Inc. (Richard and Tana Gelb)..."*

## Libra Foundation

- ▶ Second largest foundation in Maine tied to the billionaire Pritzker family.
- ▶ Ordinary grants, but at the same time tightly linked to the [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#) which counts the involvement of the billionaire Pritzker family, as well as the Rockefellers.
- ▶ [maps.org/about/board](#) (accessed: February 18, 2016): *"Board of Directors: RICK DOBLIN, PH.D., is the founder and executive director of the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS). ... JOHN GILMORE is an entrepreneur and civil libertarian. He was an early employee of Sun Microsystems, early free software and open source*

author, and co-created Cygnus Solutions, the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#), the Cypherpunks, the DES Cracker, and the Usenet's "alt" newsgroups. ... Along with being a board member of MAPS, he is also on the boards of the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) and the [Marijuana Policy Project](#). ... JOBY PRITZKER is Manager of Direct Investments at his family office Tao Capital Partners. Tao has made investments in innovative healthcare, sustainable food and agriculture, electric transportation, and other companies that seek to have a positive impact on the world. He has also made investments in the legal cannabis industry, such as MJ Freeway and Pax Labs. He is on the Board of the [Libra Foundation](#), a family foundation with an emphasis on human rights. In addition to serving on the Board of MAPS, he is also the Chairman of the Board of the [Marijuana Policy Project](#). ... "

► Other members of the billionaire Pritzker family:

- [rockpa.org/project.htm](http://rockpa.org/project.htm) (accessed: March 1, 2016): *"Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors: ... Founding Advisory Board: ... Vice Chair: Gigi Pritzker Pucker, CEO, OddLot Entertainment..."*
- February 6, 2009, White House, 'Obama Announces Economic Advisory Board': *"President Barack Obama today signed an executive order establishing the new Economic Recovery Advisory Board. Modeled on the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board created by President Dwight D. Eisenhower the Board will provide an independent voice on economic issues and will be charged with offering independent advice to the President as he formulates and implements his plans for economic recovery. The Economic Recovery Advisory Board will provide regular briefings to the President, Vice President and their economic team. The Board will be established initially for a two-year term, after which the President will make a determination on whether to extend the work of the Board. ... Paul Volcker will serve as Chairman and Austan Goolsbee as Staff Director and Chief Economist. Members of the Board include: ... Penny Pritzker, Chairman & Founder, Pritzker Realty Group ... Martin Feldstein, George F. Baker Professor of Economics, Harvard University."*
- 2010 membership list of the CFR: *"Pritzker, Penny S.; Pritzker, Thomas J. ... Rockefeller, David; Rockefeller, David Jr.; Rockefeller, John D. IV; Rockefeller, Nicholas; Rockefeller, Steven C. [Others:] Gorelick, Jamie S. ... Greenberg, Maurice R. ... Halperin, Morton H."*
- 2012, Greg Palast, 'Billionaires & Ballot Bandits: How to Steal an Election in 9 Easy Steps': *"Pritzker introduced Obama, the neophyte state senator, to the Ladies Who Lunch (that's really what they call themselves) on*



*Chicago's Gold Coast. Obama got lunch, gold and better - an introduction to Robert Rubin. Rubin is a former Secretary of the Treasury, former chairman of Goldman Sachs and, when Robert met Barry, co-chairman of Citibank. Even atheists recognized Rubin as the Supreme Deity of Wall Street. Rubin opened the doors to finance industry vaults for Obama. Extraordinarily for a Democrat, Obama in 2008 raised three times as much from bankers as his Republican opponent. So what did Citibank's Rubin get for showering Obama with gold? Obama agreed to take care of Rubin's poodles, Larry Summers and Tim Geithner. They became Obama's first cabinet picks: Summers as Economics Czar and Geithner as his czarina, Secretary of the Treasury. Geithner and Summers were the gents who, under Treasury Secretary Rubin, designed the deregulation of banking. In effect, they had decriminalized the kind of financial flim-flammy that brought the planet to its knees while bringing Rubin, Pritzker and the banksters loads of lucre. So, in 2008, Summers and Geithner were put back in the saddle - Obama's horse but Rubin's saddle. Rubin received more than \$100 million from Citigroup, the gargantuan commercial bank/investment bank/casino created by deregulation. It is worth a mention that Rubin's centi-million-dollar payoff went unchallenged by Citi's new owner, the US Treasury, which had put up more than a trillion dollars in loans and guarantees to pull Rubin's creature out of bankruptcy. Rubin rocked, but Penny was pissed off. Pritzker had taken this state senator/community organizer from the ghetto, made him a US Senator, then, as Obama's campaign finance chairwoman, raised a mind-blowing three-quarters of a billion dollars to make him president. In return, in 2008, Obama decided to make his patron Penny the Secretary of Commerce. But then, in November 2008, just as Obama was about to submit her nomination to Congress, a bunch of Pritzker's victims marched on Washington. They were not from her busted bank, but unhappy workers from the lucrative nursing homes that her family owns through a string of complex offshore trusts. Obama slammed the door on Penny pronto. In the 2012 campaign, Obama, to his credit, kept the door shut on Pritzker, reducing her to hosting an election fundraiser at her Gold Coast digs, which she had to bill as a Goldman Sachs PAC event. This marks possibly the first time anyone has used Goldman Sachs as a PR cover. The Pritzker family made its billions mostly from Hyatt Hotels and Hyatt nursing homes. Penny, on the Hyatt board of directors, is an infamously combative anti-*

union apostle. *UNITE HERE*, the union that represents Hyatt workers, has called for an international boycott of Hyatt hotels. In 2012, *UNITE HERE* and its parent, the AFL-CIO, were crucial to Obama's winning Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin. So, in this last campaign, Obama had to keep his billionaire heiress on the down-low. But today, with the unions' money and votes already pocketed and counted, Obama can give working folks *The Finger* and give Penny her pound of flesh: the Commerce post. The *New York Times* says that, "At Commerce, Ms. Pritzker could provide the president with a new way to reach out to the business community." The last time Pritzker reached out to the business community was to sell them sub-prime mortgage securities, worthless bags of financial feces manufactured by Superior Bank. If Penny the Piggy Banker gets Commerce, we'll have to drop Obama's rating to sub-prime."

- ▶ June 25, 2013, commerce.senate.gov press release, 'Rockefeller Calls Pritzker Force of Nature, Will Be Highly Effective Commerce Secretary': "*Chairman John D. (Jay) Rockefeller released the following statement today after the Senate voted 97-1 to confirm Ms. Penny Pritzker as Secretary of Commerce. Earlier today, Rockefeller spoke on the Senate floor about Ms. Pritzker's experience and skills that will make her a highly effective Secretary. "I congratulate Ms. Pritzker on her Senate confirmation. She is, in my view, a force of nature. The unanimous bipartisan support she received in the Committee, and the decisive 97-1 bipartisan vote today by the full Senate, reflects our confidence that she will be a highly successful driver for growth and change..."*
- ▶ Anthony Pritzker, born in 1961 and worth \$3.4 billion, sits on the advisory board of Center for Asia Pacific Policy of the RAND Corporation. Received an MBA from the University of Chicago.
- ▶ J.B. Pritzker, born in 1965 and worth \$3.4 billion, serves as president of the Pritzker Family Foundation, in 2008 served as national co-chairman of the Hillary Clinton for President campaign. He also founded Democratic Leadership for the 21st Century.
- ▶ April 18, 2014, *New York Times*, 'Including the Young and the Rich: White House Hosts 'Next Generation' Young and Rich': "*On a crisp morning in late March, an elite group of 100 young philanthropists and heirs to billionaire family fortunes filed into a cozy auditorium at the White House. Their name tags read like a catalog of the country's wealthiest and most influential clans: Rockefeller, Pritzker, Marriott..."*

## John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

- ▶ Generally referred to as the MacArthur Foundation. Founded in 1970 by John D. MacArthur and his wife Catherine, tightly linked to science, and closely allied with the Rockefeller interests.
- ▶ Important financier of [Harper's](#) and other new left magazines as [Mother Jones](#) and [The Nation](#).
- ▶ Key board members and fellows of past and present:
  - ▶ **John MacArthur:** Director 1970-1978.
  - ▶ **Elizabeth J. McCormack:** Director since 1970, chair 1986-1995. Advisor Rockefeller Family & Associates and Rockefeller family in general. Member CFR 1975-.
  - ▶ **Jonathan Fanton:** Chair 1999-2009. Trustee of [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) since 1992 and later an advisory trustee during his MacArthur Foundation chairmanship. Protege of Rockefeller representative Elizabeth McCormack.
  - ▶ **Murray Gell-Mann:** [JASON Group](#) scientist. Director 1979-2002. Close ally of professional debunker James Randi.
  - ▶ **James Randi:** Received a five-year grant in 1986 of \$272,000 to help debunk spiritual issues, but spent most of it on litigation issues involving psychic scam artist Uri Geller, who was propped up in the early 1970s by the elite Stanford Research Institute involving the CIA and the Bechtels. Randi has been accused of child abuse, but nevertheless has been allowed on the advisory board of the questionable [False Memory Syndrome Foundation](#).
  - ▶ **Morton Halperin:** Fellow 1985-1991. CFR member. Long-time top new left activist at the Center for National Security Studies of the [Institute for Policy Studies](#) and a later [George Soros](#) employee. Washington director of the [ACLU](#) 1984-1992. Once helped [John D. Marks](#) with his book *The Search for the Manchurian Candidate* about the CIA's MKULTRA project.
  - ▶ **Thorton Bradshaw:** Director 1985-1986, chair 1986-1988. Chair RCA. Trustee of [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) in the 1980s.
  - ▶ **Walter Massey:** Director 1989-1991. Bush 41's National Science Foundation director. Chair Bank of America and director of BP.
  - ▶ **John Holdren:** Director 1991-2005. One of Clinton's science advisors 1994-2001. Obama's chief scientist since December 2008.
  - ▶ **Jamie Gorelick:** Director 2001-2013. 9/11 Commission member. Member Defense Policy Board and the Trilateral Commission. Director CIA's National Security Advisory Panel.
  - ▶ **Robert Gallucci:** President 2009-2014. Member Defense Policy Board. Director CIA's National Security Advisory

Panel.

- ▶ **Claude Steele:** Director anno 2014. National Science Foundation.
- ▶ **Ronna Tanenbaum:** Advisor to president 2003-2004.
- ▶ March 26, 2014, Jonathan Fanton, 'In Conversation with Elizabeth McCormack': *"My guest tonight is my good friend and mentor Elizabeth McCormack. We first met when she was working for John D. Rockefeller and I for Yale President Kingman Brewster. ... Fast forward 17 years when she was on the search committee for a new President of the MacArthur Foundation. She was my advocate. No surprise I was offered the job. For nearly four decades she has been my most trusted advisor. ... I never consider an important move without seeking her advice. And we continue to make common cause on the Board of the Asian Cultural Council. ... After Manhattanville, she became Director of the Rockefeller Philanthropy offices and remains a philanthropic advisor to members of the family. ... She chaired the Asian Cultural Council for 20 years; was vice chair of the MacArthur Board; a key member of the Board of the Atlantic Philanthropies; a member of the boards of [Catholic] Manhattanville [president], Spellman, Marlboro and Hamilton Colleges, as well as the Juilliard School. She has also been on the boards of the Population Council, The Trust for Mutual Understanding, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and recently she started the Partnership for Palliative Care which is her current major interest."*
- ▶ Popcouncil.org, Elizabeth McCormack bio: *"She is also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the Century Association. Ms. McCormack was president of Manhattanville College from 1966 to 1974. She directed the Rockefeller Philanthropy offices and continues as a philanthropic advisor to members of the Rockefeller Family. ... Ms. McCormack has also been a friend and supporter of the [Rockefeller-funded] Population Council for more than three decades, having served as both a trustee and chair of the board of trustees."*

## J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 1976 by Roderick MacArthur, a son of John D. MacArthur who founded the huge Rockefeller-allied [John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#) six years earlier. Despite conflicts between Roderick and his father and the considerable difference in assets, both foundations support similar causes, with the family being particularly closely tied to [Harper's magazine](#).
- ▶ January 21, 1994, Chicago Tribune, 'Foundation Shrinks Its

Circle Of Recipients': *"After 13 years as head of the J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation, Lance E. Lindblom thought it was time to seek new challenges. ...*

*The philanthropy, with its \$30 million in assets (a far cry from the \$3 billion in assets of the Chicago-based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, with which it is often confused), isn't closing up shop but is closing ranks. ...*

*They wonder how three siblings with busy careers in New York -- Solange D. MacArthur is a surgeon, Gregoire C. MacArthur is a film and documentary producer, and John R. MacArthur is president and publisher of Harper's Magazine-- will find time to oversee a philanthropy with far -- flung interests.*

*The foundation's interest in social justice and civil rights is likely to remain. Those areas were of great concern to Rod MacArthur, who established the foundation in 1976. He died in 1984 at age 63.*

*MacArthur, a millionaire businessman, was often in the headlines because of feuds with his billionaire father, the late John D. MacArthur, and later with the giant foundation his father established. But he also was prominent as a longtime member of the American Civil Liberties Union's board of directors.*

*Over the years his foundation has supported investigations into racial discrimination in consumer credit, and death squads in El Salvador. It even helped produce the documentary film "Roger and Me," [the first film of [Michael Moore](#)] which took on General Motors Corp."*

### **McKnight Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 1953. The initial funds came from the Minnesota mining fortune of William and Maude McKnight. The family still controls the foundation.
- ▶ In 2015 it had a \$2.1 billion endowment and made \$88 million in grants.
- ▶ [Activistfacts.com/foundation/97-McKnightFoundation/](http://Activistfacts.com/foundation/97-McKnightFoundation/) (accessed: March 10, 2016): "[Grants:] [Environmental Working Group](#) ... [Natural Resources Defense Council](#). [Sierra Club](#). [Tides Foundation](#)..."

### **Mellon foundations**

- ▶ Like the Rockefellers, wealthy and elite Mellon family members have been generational members of the [Pilgrims Society](#) with long-standing rumors of CIA connections.
  - ▶ 1985, Martin A. Lee and Bruce Schlain, 'Acid Dreams'

(digital): "*Members of the Mellon family maintained close ties with the CIA. The Mellon family foundations have been used repeatedly as conduits for Agency funds. Furthermore, Richard Helms was a frequent weekend guest of the Mellon patriarchs in Pittsburgh during his tenure as CIA director [1966-1973].*"

- ▶ The Richard K. Mellon Foundation was founded in 1947. It primarily donates to local conservation and social Pennsylvania charities to the tune of \$110 million annually. Its endowment stands at around \$2 billion.
- ▶ The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation:
  - ▶ Named after a wealthy industrialist and Pilgrims Society member.
  - ▶ Founded in 1969.
  - ▶ "Liberal CIA" foundation that is a particularly heavy financier of just about all prominent and semi-prominent colleges and universities in the United States, England, South Africa and a few other places in Europe and Latin America. For decades on end between 25-50% of the board of trustees belongs to the CFR: 4 of 9 (44%) in 1999 and 2004; 5 of 10 (50%, with another joining in 2019, making 60%) in 2017; and 3 of 10 (27%) in 2022. Generally, the chair and president have been members of the CFR, but exceptions have been there.
    - ▶ Andrew W. Mellon Foundation trustees also in CFR:  
Nathan Pusey (president 1971-1975, after stepping down as Harvard president; CFR 1953-) | John Whitehead (trustee chair 1990-1997; CFR 1978-) | Hanna Holborn Gray (trustee 1980-2003, chair 1997-2003; acting president Yale 1977-1978, the first woman in that role; first female president Un. Chicago 1978-1993; CFR 1984-) | Anne Tatlock (trustee since at least the mid-1990s, chair early 2005-; CFR 2004-) | William G. Bowen (president anno 2003-2004; CFR 1987-) | Paul LeClerc (trustee anno '04; CFR '97-) | Walter Massey (trustee anno '05; CFR '97-) | Frank H. T. Rhodes (anno '99; CFR '85-) | Earl Lewis (president and ex officio "ex officio" trustee '16-'17; CFR '14-) | Danielle Allen (chair anno '16; CFR '15-) | Kathryn Hall (anno '16-'17, chair anno '22; CFR '17-) | Jane Mendillo (anno '16-'17; CFR '14-; director Lazard 2016-; president and CEO Harvard Management Co. 2008-2014; director GM) | Leo Rafael Reif (anno '16-'17; CFR '12-; president MIT '12-) | Jonathan Holloway (anno '22; CFR '21-; president Rutgers Un. '20-) | Glenn Lowry (anno '16-'22; CFR '19-; managing director / "The David Rockefeller Director" of MoMa 1995-, still anno '22).
  - ▶ In 2014 the foundation dispensed \$241,257,410 in grants



and had a \$6 billion endowment.

- It finances dozens of leading universities in the United States, Oxford University in England, and even universities in South Africa and a handful in Latin America. Example:

- 2007 annual report, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, pp. 77-117 (these are far from all college and university donations from this report): *"Columbia University: ... 6,000,0000 [and] 350,000. ... Columbia University Press: ... 447,000. ... University of Chicago: ... 6,000,000 [and] 600,000 [and] 589,000 ... Cornell: ... 3,000,0000 [and] 2,500,000 [and] 630,000 [and] 450,000 [and] 373,000... Yale: ... 1,500,000 [and] 500,000 [and] 415,000 [and] 41,000 [and more down] 1,300,000. ... Stanford: ... 1,500,000. ... Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Inc., Stanford, California: ... 2,000,000. ... University of California at Berkeley: ... 397,000. ... University of California at Los Angeles: ... 493,000 [and] 143,000 [and] 23,400. ... University of Southern California: ... 305,000 [and] 168,000 [and] 15,000. ... Princeton: ... 1,500,000 [and] 253,000 [and] 230,000 [and] 15,000 ... Johns Hopkins University: ... 3,000,0000 [and] 1,018,000. ... Harvard: ... 479,000. ... Duke University: ... 470,000 [and] 100,000. ... Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh: ... 234,000 [plus] 50,000. ... University of Pennsylvania: ... 750,000. ... University of Pittsburgh: ... 782,000. ... Pennsylvania State University: ... 164,000. ... University of Arkansas: ... 152,000. ... University of Minnesota: ... 672,000 [and] 517,000. ... University of Missouri at Saint Louis: ... 50,000. ... Dillard University: ... 500,000 [and] 50,000. Xavier University of Louisiana: ... 1,000,000. ... Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania: ... 1,400,000 [and] 196,000 [and] 135,000. ... Dartmouth College: ... 2,055,000. ... DePauw University: ... 1,500,000. ... Drew University, Madison, New Jersey: ... 950,000. Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota: ... 1,660,000 [and] 30,000. ... Claremont McKenna College: ... 150,000. Claremont University Consortium: ... 1,500,000. ... Indiana University: ... 80,000 [and] 45,000 [and] 40,000 [and] 36,000. ... Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee: ... 2,000,000 [and] 1,000,000 [and] 50,000. ... Spelman College, Atlanta, Georgia: ... 3,000,0000 [and] 60,000 [and] 25,000. ... Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia: ... 700,000 [and] 400,000 [and] 86,000. ... Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts: ... 2,000,000. ...*

University of Texas at Austin: ... 312,000. ... New York Public Library: ... 1,000,000 [and] 450,000. ... The New School: ... 43,000. ... Barnard College, New York: ... 3,000,000. ... Bard College [in] New York: ... 633,000. ... Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts: ... 860,000 ... Appalachian College Association: ... 900,000 [and] 100,000 [and] 50,000. ... Associated Colleges of the Midwest, Inc., Chicago, Illinois: ... 4,000,000 [and] 3,000,000 [and] 600,000. ... Allegheny College: ... 750,000 [and] 300,000. ... Austin College: ... 633,000. ... American Indian College Fund, Denver, Colorado: ... 500,000. ... Colby College, Waterville, Maine: 1,400,000 [and] 300,000. Colgate College: ... 800,000. ... College of the Holy Cross: ... 800,000. College of William and Mary: ... 1,500,000. ... Colorado College: ... 50,000 [and] 50,000. ... Randolph College [in] Virginia: ... 92,000. ... Reed College, Portland, Oregon: ... 1,500,000 [and] 225,000. ... Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia: To support the establishment of the Center for Women's Global Leadership: 50,000. ... University of Florida: ... 50,000. ... Rhodes College, Memphis, Tennessee: ... 550,000. University of Rochester: ... 749,000 [and] 69,500. ... Rochester Institute of Technology: ... 606,000 [and] 307,000. ... National Academy of Sciences: ... 300,000 [and] 200,000. ... The Kohala Center, Kamuela, Hawaii: ... 500,000. ...

University of Oxford [UK]: ... 210,000. ... University of York [UK]: ... 744,000. ... University of Cambridge [UK]: ... 1,423,000. ... University of Edinburgh [UK]: ... 160,000. ... Universite de Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland: ... 985,000. ...

University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, South Africa: ... 600,000. ... University of Cape Town [in] South Africa: ... 800,000 [and] 640,000 [and] 500,000 [and] 275,000 [and] 220,000 [and] 210,000. ... Stellenbosch University, Matieland, South Africa: ... 755,000 [and] 150,000. ... Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa: ... 640,000 [and] 100,000 [and] 100,000. ... Higher Education South Africa, Pretoria, South Africa: ... 230,000. ... The Foundation of Tertiary Institutions of the Northern Metropolis, Johannesburg, South Africa: ... 50,000. ... Cape Higher Education Consortium, Wynberg, South Africa: ... 50,000.

► donations.vipulnaik.com, 'University of Washington donations received': "Andrew W. Mellon Foundation: \$21,230,000.00 [1972-2018; 1972-1990:

*\$3.2 million, on average \$246,000 per year, which would be about \$850,000 per year anno 2020] ... Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation: \$724,672,884.64 [2006-2018]"*

- ▶ The foundation is not focused at all on the so-called "new media, although occasionally these type of donations slip in:
  - ▶ 2007 annual report, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, pp. 86-89: "[Internet Archive](#): ... 667,000. ... *George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia: To support the development of a set of automatic archiving relationships between the Zotero Web research tool and the Internet Archive: 514,000. ... Federation of American Scientists: ... 302,000.*"
  - ▶ David Rockefeller friend and [Pilgrims Society](#) vice president (and [Beckley Foundation](#) drug legalization signer) John C. Whitehead has been chairman of the foundation. Another chair has been fellow-elitist Anne Tatlock, who escaped death on 9/11 due to an invite of Warren Buffett's golf tournament.
- ▶ Family member Richard Mellon Scaife (1932-2014) always took the opposite approach, donation numerous millions during his lifetime to ultraright national security and domestic policy NGOs and think tanks. Mellon Scaife is known to have been a CIA asset. However, other Mellon family members were said to have enjoyed similar OSS/CIA ties, but then to more liberal CIA elements. Scaife's foundations:
  - ▶ Allegheny Foundation: awarded over \$36 million in the 1985-2006 period.
  - ▶ Carthage Foundation: awarded over \$68 million in the 1985-2003 period. Merged into the Sarah Scaife Foundation effective December 31, 2014.
  - ▶ Sarah Scaife Foundation: awarded over \$235 million in the 1985-2003 period.
  - ▶ Scaife Family Foundation: awarded over \$77 million in the 1985-2001 period.
- ▶ In contrast to Richard Mellon Scaife, different Mellon family members have been tied to the generally "new left" psychedelics and modern UFO movement:
  - ▶ The Mellon/Hitchcock family in the form of Billy Mellon Hitchcock and Peggy Hitchcock (the Hitchcock family is also linked to the [Pilgrims Society](#)) again played a key role in building the hippie movement and promoting the use of psychedelics by allowing the clique of Dr. Timothy Leary to stay at their [Millbrook estate](#) in the mid-1960s.
  - ▶ Paul Mellon's Bollingen Foundation financially [supported psychedelic guru Alan Watts](#) in the early 1950s, bringing him to California and eventually Esalen, and in the early 1960s, bringing him to the Timothy Leary group at

Harvard. Laurance Rockefeller also became part of Alan Watts circle in the early 1950s.

- ▶ Christopher Mellon, a great-grandson of William Lamar Mellon, Sr. similar to Billy Mellon Hitchcock, in 2017 showed up as a board member of [Tom DeLonge's top-level UFO disinformation group To The Stars](#). Chris Mellon has maintained deep intelligence ties over the years.

### Merck Family Fund

- ▶ The Merck Family Fund (MFF) was established in 1954 by George W. Merck, president of the pharmaceutical corporation Merck & Company.
- ▶ The foundation has about \$52 million in assets and distributes about \$3 million per year, most of it to environmentalist groups as [Friends of the Earth](#) and the [Natural Resources Defense Council](#).

### John Merck Fund

- ▶ Founded in 1970 and basically the same with the Merck Family Fund, but makes its own grants.

### Charles Stewart Mott Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 1926 by the General Motors-affiliated industrialist Charles Stewart Mott of Flint, Michigan. Today one of the biggest foundations with billions in assets.
- ▶ Formerly known as the Stewart R. Mott Charitable Trust.
- ▶ [activistfacts.com/foundation/71-CharlesStewartMottFoundation/](#) (totals; accessed: February 29, 2016): *"Friends of the Earth \$7,303,965 2004. Greenpeace \$249,000 2002. ... Natural Resources Defense Council \$3,523,090 2005. ... Sierra Club \$2,737,436 2004. Tides Foundation & Tides Center \$8,455,416 2005."* Also donates through the [Ploughshares Fund](#).

### Novo Foundation (Buffett family)

- ▶ Founded in 2006 by Warren Buffett, an annual [Sun Valley Meetings](#) participant who has kept a controlling share in Coca Cola since the 1980s. Overseen by Peter and Jennifer Buffett, a son and daughter-in-law of Warren Buffett.
- ▶ [novofoundation.org/about-us/faqs/](#) (accessed: February 29,

2016): "NoVo was created in 2006 after Warren Buffett pledged to donate 350,000 shares of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. stock to the foundation. ... Jennifer and Peter are the Co-Presidents of the foundation. They also co-chairs the Board of Directors. Peter Buffett is the youngest son of investor Warren Buffett."

- ▶ Financing/grants (tons of feminist groups and later, through the Tides Foundation, Native Indian groups; NGOs generally mentioned for the first year only):
  - ▶ 2009 Form 990-PF Tax Return, NoVo Foundation: "Aspen Institute ... Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation ... Equality Now ... International Rescue Committee ... Ms. Foundation for Women ... National Women's Law Center ... New World Foundation: ... \$5,000,000. ... Nike Foundation: ... \$15,000,000. ... Paley Center for Media ... Rockefeller Family Fund [\$700,000 total] ... Tides Center [\$1.3 million total] ... Tides Foundation [\$3,606,000] ... [V-Day](#): ... \$1,000,000. ... Women for Women Int'l ... Women Thrive Worldwide ... Women's Funding Network ... Women's Media Center."
  - ▶ 2010 Form 990-PF Tax Return, NoVo Foundation: "Clinton Foundation:... Haiti Relief Fund... \$500,000. ... Demi Ashton Foundation: ... \$250,000. ... Nike Foundation: ... \$15,000,000. ... Population Council... Rockefeller Family Fund [\$750,000 total] ... RSF Social Finance: ... \$1,500,000. ... Tides Center [\$342,284 total] ... Tides Foundation [\$1,960,000 total] ... Columbia University ... University of Illinois Foundation ... V-Day ... World Affairs Council [in] San Francisco ... Yale University ..."
  - ▶ 2011 Form 990-PF Tax Return, NoVo Foundation: "Feminist.com: ... \$1,000. ... Girls Education and Mentoring Services ... Girls for Gender Equity, Inc. ... International Center for Research on Women ... Lions Clubs International Foundation: ... \$33,333. ... Ms. Foundation for Women [\$1,015,000] ... New World Foundation [\$5,341,964] ... New York Community Trust [\$50,000] ... New York Womens Foundation [\$225,000] ... Nike Foundation: ... \$12,700,000. ... Robin Hood Foundation: ... \$25,000. Rockefeller Family Fund: ... \$770,000. ... Tides Center [\$954,000 total] ... Tides Foundation [\$2,235,000] ... V-Day [\$1,125,000 total] ... [TOTAL:] \$46,285,435."
  - ▶ 2012 Form 990-PF Tax Return, NoVo Foundation: "Stanford ... Equality Now [\$420,000; annually] ... Feminist.com Foundation: ... \$5,000. ... Fund for the City of New York ... Lions Club International Foundation: ... \$33,333. ... Ms. Foundation for Women: ... \$1,010,000. ... New World Foundation: ... \$10,943,660. ... Nike Foundation: ... \$13,000,000. ... Population Council ..."

*Rockefeller Family Fund: ... \$770,000. ... Tides Center: ... \$795,000. ... Tides Foundation: ... \$3,269,685. ... V-Day: ... \$1,575,000. ... "*

- ▶ 2016 Form 990-PF Tax Return, NoVo Foundation: *"Tides Center ... Tides Foundation [106 individual donations totalling \$26,193,158 to groups as: V-Day, Danish Refugee Council, International Domestic Workers Federation, RSF Social Fiance (\$250,000), First Peoples Worldwide, First Nations Development Fund, Indian Land Tenure Foundation, Hopi Foundation, Worldwide Indigeous Science Network, American Indian Law Alliance, First Peoples Fund, American Indian Institute, Native Action, Trust for Indigenous Culture and Health, American Indian Community House, Native American Community Board, National Indigenous Women's Resource Center, The Rising Fund, Waadookodaading Ojibwe Language Immersion Charter School, Akwesasne Freedom School, Jesse Lewis Choose Love Foundation, etc.]... Ultraviolet Education Fund ... Unchained at Last ... Women for Afghan Women ... Women for Women International ... Women Make Movies, Inc. ... Women of Color Network ... Women Thrive Worldwide ... Women Win Foundation ... [Countless more feminist organizations]..."*

### **Nathan Cummings Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 1949 by the Jewish founder of the Sara Lee Corporation, Nathan Cummings (1896–1985). Sara Lee has been represented at Bilderberg and the Trilateral Commission.
- ▶ Endowment of \$415 million in 2015.
- ▶ The foundation has helped finance Alternet, PBS, Political Research Associates, the Electronic Privacy Information Center, Friends of the Earth, the National Resources Defense Council, the Sierra Club,
- ▶ Charles R. Halpern was president and CEO of the Nathan Cummings Foundation from 1989 to 2000. In 1991, as long-time founding chair, he helped set up the [Center for Contemplative Mind in Society](#) with Ram Dass (LSD guru Richard Alpert). Retreats were not just arranged by the Nathan Cummings Foundation, but also at the Rockefeller's Pocantino retreat.

### **National Endowment for Democracy**

- ▶ Founded in 1983. Umbrella organization for the:
  - ▶ American Center for International Labor Solidarity (ACILS);



- ▶ Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE);
- ▶ National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI);
- ▶ International Republican Institute (IRI).
- ▶ Financed by the USAID and to a lesser extent by [somewhat conservative \(but still Eastern Establishment\)](#) foundations as Smith Richardson, John M. Olin, Bradley and others. Closely tied to national security, covert (financial) operations and the superclass. NED finances opposition media in certain countries, monitoring agencies for elections, student protest groups, etc.
- ▶ September 22, 1991, Washington Post, 'Innocence Abroad: The New World of Spyless Coups': "[NED co-founder Allen Weinstein:] 'A lot of what we do today was done covertly 25 years ago by the CIA.'"
- ▶ NED is only listed here for the time being because some of NED's financing ended up at Alexander Soros' [Global Witness](#) group. Jonathan Soros is a son of [George Soros](#).
  - ▶ 2005 annual report of of Jonathan Soros' Global Witness, p. 20: *"Our Funders: ... Canadian Department of Foreign affairs and International Trade. .. The Gleitsman Foundation ... Hives ... IUCN ... The National Endowment for Democracy ... Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs ... Open Society Institute ... Oxfam GB ... Oxfam Novib..."*
  - ▶ Global Witness is very much concerned with the protection of the rain forest and human rights in third world countries.
- ▶ Co-financier of the [Poynter Institute](#), the key cog in the international "fake news" "fact-checking" network that emerged around the time of the Donald Trump presidential election.

## New World Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 1954 with the fortune of the McCormick industrialist family. Key founder Anita McCormick Blaine also was a sister-in-law of Edith Rockefeller, in turn a sister of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Another key founder, Gil Harrison, controlled [The New Republic](#) magazine from 1953 to 1974 and was closely tied into the liberal CIA clique of CIA officer and CFR member Cord Meyer. Executive director 1957-1974 of the NWF was CFR member Vernon Eagle, who shared the board of the American Veterans Committee (AVC) with MEyer and Harrison.
  - ▶ 2000, Gilbert Jones, 'One Shining Moment', p. 124: *"Gil Harrison [the owner and editor of [The New Republic magazine](#) 1953-1974, co-founded in 1914 by CFR member Walter Lippman], an AVC colleague of [the CFR's and*

*CIA's] Cord Meyer [and Vernon Eagle], phoned me during this period to demand that the [New] World Board accept the decision to halt the grant without resorting to legal action. ... Harrison formed the New World Foundation as a vehicle for funding his pet causes, mostly liberal, under Vernon Eagle's direction [executive director from 1957 until his death in 1974; Eagle was CFR 1957-1962; banker at Hanover Bank in New York and London 1944-1956; board American Veterans Committee (AVC) 1944-1959, treasurer 1945-1950]."*

- ▶ July 14, 1999, New York Times, 'Brenda Hughes Moore, 56, Wife of Bishop and Rights Advocate': *"Mr. Campbell died in 1971 at age 31, and the next year she married Vernon Eagle, then the executive director of the New World Foundation, which supported civil rights and community projects. The year after Mr. Eagle's death in 1974, she married Bishop Moore, who had officiated at her second wedding and had himself recently been widowed."*
- ▶ [lib.uchicago.edu/e/webexhibits/building/blaine.html](http://lib.uchicago.edu/e/webexhibits/building/blaine.html): *"Anita McCormick Blaine ... Into the breach stepped Anita McCormick Blaine (1866-1954). The daughter of industrialist Cyrus Hall McCormick and his wife Nettie... Her endorsement of progressive Henry Wallace for President of the United States in 1948 perplexed even her closest friends and drew harsh criticism from right-wing commentators. But Anita McCormick Blaine went on to become an avid proponent of world government and international accord and remained committed to the cause for the rest of her life."*
- ▶ In the 1982-1988 period Hillary Clinton was a trustee, vice chair and chair of the liberal New World Foundation, which was putting money into the account of the [Christic Institute](#) of Garrison and Sheehan, as well as a variety of other far-left causes.
  - ▶ June 28, 1994, fair.org, 'Limbaugh Responds to FAIR': *"'Limbaugh's Reign of Error" was printed in EXTRA!, the publication of Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting. "FAIR" was launched in the summer of 1987 with the financial assistance of The New World Foundation (NWF) which gave FAIR a \$2,500 grant that year, according to NWF's 1987-1988 annual report. The Chair of NWF's board in 1987 was Hillary Rodham Clinton. (Mrs. Clinton, a board member since 1982, resigned in March of 1988.)"*
  - ▶ Sep. 28, 1983, Subcommittee on Oversight of the Committee on Ways and Means, U.S. House of Representatives, 'Report and recommendations concerning federal tax rules governing private institutions' p. 93, Appendix D: *"June 30, 1983, Vernon*

*E. Jordan, Jr., Partner, Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer and Feld. Mr. Jordan is a partner in a Washington law firm and trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation, the John Hay Whitney Foundation, the Taconic Foundation and a former trustee of the New World Foundation."*

- ▶ 2014, ISGP, '[Cult of National Security Trolls: Art and Coast to Coast AM](#)': *"The New World Foundation... was established in 1954 with the fortune of Anita McCormick Blaine (1866-1954), a daughter of wealthy industrialist Cyrus McCormick (1809-1884). [145] A younger brother of hers, Harold, married Edith Rockefeller, a sister of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Another key founder of the New World Foundation was Gilbert Harrison, whom had married into the McCormick family in 1951. [146] Harrison was a typical Eastern Establishment liberal: educated at Balliol College, Oxford, summer home at Martha's Vineyard and from 1953 to 1977 editor-in-chief of the liberal magazine [The New Republic](#). [147] That's not all. He worked closely with the CIA's uberliberal Cord Meyer, also through the New World Foundation. [148] Meyer's wife, Mary Pinchot Meyer, later explained that her husband, Harrison and associates were all old boy OSS/CIA and always plotting to get their own favorite presidential candidates in the White House. [149] Even within the NGO circuit ties between New World and the CIA were considered "not inconceivable". [150] Thus when fellow-Martha's Vineyard visitors Vernon Jordan and Hillary Clinton ran the New World Foundation in the 1980s and were funding Daniel Sheehan's Christic Institute, they simply continued the activities of Cord Meyer and Gil Harrison and might well be have been part of the liberal wing of the CIA. After all, we know the persistent reports and rumors about how Bill Clinton, as a governor of Arkansas, allowed the CIA to import drugs into the country through an airport in Mena [151] and about Roger Clinton's later lobbying for the Gambino crime family, a family that at one point may have benefited from these CIA drug important at Mena. [152] All of a sudden Bill Clinton working with Laurance Rockefeller in spreading UFO disinformation straight from the White House in what appears to be a complex disinformation operation doesn't seem to be that out of place anymore."*
- ▶ 1998, David Brock, 'The Seduction of Hillary Rodham', pp. 111-113, 180: *"When Hillary's term on the LSC board expired in 1982, the strenghted her ties to East Coast activist circles by joining the board of the New World Foundation, considered one of the nation's most left-leaning philanthropies. Based in New York, the organization was founded in 1954 by philanthropist*

Anita McCormick Blaine. Serving on New World's senior staff was Adrian W. DeWind, who during the 1970s was a member of Committee for Public Justice, founded by Lillian Hellman. That group monitored alleged FBI abuses of the U.S. Communist Party and the Black Panthers.

The New World Foundation is not a traditional philanthropy; it funds political movements rather than research, educational, or charitable efforts. ... During Hillary's tenure, which lasted from 1982 through 1988 and included stints as vice chair and chair of the board of directors, the organization sharpened its focus on political activism. ... The New World Foundation has given many grants to mainstream liberal groups like the Children's Defense Fund. But much of its money went to the hard left. The foundation supported the Christic Institute, which spent hundreds of thousands of dollars bringing charges against supporters of the Nicaraguan Contras that were later held in court to be frivolous. Many of the foundation grantees, such as the National Lawyers Guild and the Institute for Policy Studies, had ties to the Communist movement. Another grant recipient, the Africa Fund, lobbied on behalf of the most extremist elements within the Africa National Congress. Under Hillary's chairmanship, the foundation supported the Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador, better known as CISPES, which was founded in New York City in 1980 by Farid Handal, brother of El Salvador's Communist Party chief Shafik Handal. Farid had come to the United States to mobilize American support for the FMLN, the major Communist guerrilla organization in El Salvador.

The New World Foundation was also a benefactor of Grassroots International, which described itself as a "people-to-people partnership for social change." While a New World grantee, this organization was giving money to two Palestinian groups with ties to the Communist faction of the PLO—the Union of Palestinian Working Women's Committees and the Union of Palestinian Medical Relief Committees.

Hillary appears to have gotten involved with the New World Foundation through Marian Wright Edelman; when Hillary joined the organization Edelman's husband Peter was a member of the New World's board, as was Democratic lawyer Vernon Jordan [p. 113]. When she signed onto the board in 1982, Hillary had already been serving since 1976 on the board of the Children's Defense Fund, where she had once worked as a young lawyer just out of Yale. She became chairman of the CDF board in

1986 and remained in the post until she stepped down during the 1992 presidential campaign. ...

*Representatives of the [CDF] group lobbied both the executive branch and the Congress on a broad range of social welfare legislation, testified as experts on Capitol Hill, and issued widely cited statistical studies on such social problems as child poverty. Meanwhile, Hillary continued her war against the Reagan administration: CDF successfully fought off budget cuts in education, welfare, and child nutrition programs."*

## Norman Foundation

- Originally founded as the Norman Fund by Aaron E. Norman in 1936 and put into action by his children when Norman died in 1937. Norman was an early partner in Sears, Roebuck, a company also linked to the ultraright, CIA- and DOD-tied [American Security Council](#).

- [normanfdn.org](#) (accessed: December 6, 1998; unclear explanation): "The original capital of the Norman Foundation, Inc. was provided by the late Aaron E. Norman [who died at age 77 in 1936]... [Re]incorporated ... as the Norman Foundation, Inc. in 1970."

- November 24, 1971, New York Times, 'Mrs. Ruth Alice Halsband Dies; Chemist Led the Norman Fund': "*Mrs. Ruth Alice Norman Well Halsband, chairman of the Norman Fund ... died yesterday. ... Mrs. Halsband was the daughter of the late Aaron E. Norman, who invested in 1895 in the infant mail-order house of Sears, Roebuck in Chicago, becoming vice president and general manager during its early expansion.*

*Before his death in 1936 [Aaron] established the Norman Fund, a philanthropic foundation of which his daughter became president and later chairman, The fund's major interests include intercultural and interracial relations and civil rights, and under Mrs. Halsband's leadership it has been active in providing legal services for defending the rights of blacks, notably voting rights, in the South. It has also assisted the starting of cooperatives in the rural South. ...*

*Mrs. Halsband was graduated from Smith College in 1922 and subsequently resumed a career in organic chemistry, receiving a Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1946."*

- [normanfdn.org/index.php?page/history](#) (accessed: March 19, 2018; an unclear history written by Frank A. Weil): "*The Norman Foundation [as the Norman Fund] began as an act of testamentary generosity by Aaron E. Norman at the end of his seventy-six-year life of success*

*and concern for people who lacked economic and/or political control over their lives. Norman's two children began with what amounted to two personal foundations, combined as one... By the 1950s Norman's five grandchildren succeeded early in their lives..."*

- ▶ By the 1960s the Norman Fund group of foundations was involved in financing the civil rights movement surrounding [the Nelson Rockefeller-financed Martin Luther King](#):

- ▶ 2005, Gilbert Jonas, 'Freedom's Sword: The NAACP and the Struggle Against Racism in America, 1909-1969', p. 361: *"The left-of-center "activist" foundation leaders and boards, including the Field Foundation under Leslie Dunbar, the New York Foundation under John Heyman, the [New World Foundation](#) under Vernon Eagle [also of Hillary Clinton and Bilderberg steering committee member Vernon Jordan], the [Stern Foundation](#) under Phil Stern, the Norman Foundation under Andrew Norman, and the Helen Rubinstein Foundation under Diane Goldstein, individually and collectively rejected the NAACP [National Association for the Advancement of Colored people] as too "middle-of-the-road" or "middle class"..."*

- ▶ CIA-tied in the 1960s in relation to the Civil Rights movement:

- ▶ April 7, 1967, Drew Pearson and Jack Anderson's Washington Merry-Go-Round (Washington Post, Times Herald, etc.), 'CIA Funds Aided Negro Registration': *"The main conduit for CIA money to help the Negro voter registration drive was [\[Leslie Dunbar's\] Southern Regional Council](#), which received \$60,000 [\$510,000 in 2019] of CIA funds in 1963. The money was channeled through the [New World Foundation](#) [later of Hillary Clinton and Bilderberg steering committee member and Trilateralist Vernon Jordan].*

*In 1962, \$6000 [\$51,000 in in 2019] of CIA funds went to the Southern Research Council through the Aaron E. Norman Fund. In 1962, the Georgia Council on Human Relations also got \$2600 [\$22,000 in 2019] of CIA money from the Norman Fund. ... Note: Fund officials deny any knowledge of CIA financial ties; nevertheless they are a fact. ...*

*The National Students Association, which received massive contributions of CIA money, was also encouraged by the CIA to push voter registration drives in the South [for blacks]. ...*

*The CIA money ... to help Negro voting registration and militant civil rights groups ... was funneled through private foundations right under the nose of the Central Intelligence Watchdog Committee headed by Sen. Dick Russell, Georgia Democrat, and Rep. Mendel Rivers, the*

*South Carolina Democrat. Both have made speeches denouncing the civil rights movement."*

- ▶ docsouth.unc.edu, Interview with Leslie W. Dunbar, December 8, 1972. Interview G-0075, Southern Oral History Program Collection (#4007): *"As far as I know, the truth of that CIA money is that the [Norman Foundation](#) did take some CIA money as a conduit for some things that the CIA was doing in Africa."*
- ▶ Aaron E. Norman grandson and Norman Foundation president was Frank Weil. Educated at Harvard, Weil served on the boards of the elite [Bretton Woods Committee](#) (Soros, Rockefeller, etc.), the Atlantic Institute for International Affairs, the American Assembly, the Center for National Policy, the Council for Excellence in Government, and the elite Walter Mondale- and later Madeleine Albright-headed National Democratic Institute, a "democracy-sponsoring" institute alongside Soros' Open Society Foundations, USAID and the National Endowment for Democracy and the like (a job formerly occupied by the CIA):
  - ▶ August 13, 1994, New York Times, "Teaching the Next Generation to Give of Themselves": *"The Norman Foundation, in Manhattan, is another family philanthropy made up of grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Aaron E. Norman, an early partner in the Sears, Roebuck & Company merchandising empire [also linked to the [American Security Council](#)]. ... his grandson [is] Frank A. Weil, an investment banker and the foundation's president..."*
  - ▶ normanfdn.org/OffandDir.html (accessed: December 6, 1998): *"Andrew E. Norman, Chairman. Frank A. Weil, President. ... Deborah Weil Harrington. Eliza Weil Harrington. John Timothy Weil Harrington. ... Amanda E. Weil. Sandison E. Weil. William S. Weil. ... Abigail Norman. Margaret Norman. Rebecca Norman. Sarah Norman."*
  - ▶ normanfdn.org/index.php?page/board\_and\_staff (accessed: March 19, 2018): *"Officers and Directors: ... [A couple of Normans] ... Amanda Weil, Vice President ... William S. Weil ... Non-Voting Members: ... Amanda Weil Harrington"*
  - ▶ December 1986, The International Democrat (newsletter of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs), p. 8: *"NDI's Board of Directors: Chairman--Walter F. Mondala. Vice Chair--Madeleine K. Albright. ... Daniel Patrick Moynihan ... Nina Rosenwald ... Cyrus R. Vance ... Frank A. Weil..."*
- ▶ The Norman Foundation makes a lot of grants to [organize blacks and Latinos](#) to protest and vote in the United States:
  - ▶ August 13, 1994, New York Times, "Teaching the Next



Generation to Give of Themselves': *"The Norman Foundation was an early supporter of the civil rights movement and continues to promote voter registration and to finance organizations upholding the legal rights of immigrants, people with disabilities, lesbian mothers seeking custody, battered women and environmental advocates."*

- ▶ [normanfdn.org/index.php?page/2017-grants-list](http://normanfdn.org/index.php?page/2017-grants-list) (accessed: March 19, 2018): *"Grants - 2017: ...*
  - *Workers Center for Racial Justice - \$25,000, Chicago, IL...*
  - *Multicultural Alliance for a Safe Environment - \$25,000, Albuquerque, NM ...*
  - *Movement Building Black Leaders Organizing for Communities - \$30,000, Milwaukee, WI ...*
  - *Black Organizing for Leadership and Dignity - \$25,000, North Miami, FL ...*
  - *Center for Third World Organizing - \$25,000, Oakland, CA. Renewed support for training programs to expand and strengthen organizing in communities of color.*
  - *Jolt - \$30,000, Austin, TX. Renewed support for grassroots organizing and civic engagement activities in Latino communities in Texas."*

## Omidyar Network

- ▶ [omidyar.com/people/pierre-omidyar](http://omidyar.com/people/pierre-omidyar) (accessed: March 10, 2016): *"Pierre created eBay in 1995... After eBay became a public company in 1998, Pierre and his wife Pam co-founded the Omidyar Foundation to support nonprofits. ... They broadened their scope in 2004 to form a new entity, Omidyar Network, to make investments in for-profit companies as well as nonprofit organizations."*
- ▶ Ebay founder Pierre Omidyar is a "nouveau riche" who sits on top of a huge pile of money: billions. He and his wife have been pouring this money in an ever increasing amount of NGOs: the Clinton Global Initiative, The Elders (of Nelson Mandela), the Santa Fe Institute, the Berggruen Institute on Governance, the Global Philanthropy Forum, etc. This definitely shows that the Omidyars are working hard to become part of the "in" crowd. More evidence of these aspirations is that back in 2011 and 2012 the Omidyars were funding pro-West opposition groups against the pro-Russia Ukrainian president Viktor Yanukovyc.
- ▶ Pierre and Pam Omidyar are occasional participants in the [Edge Foundation's Billionaires' Dinners](#), which are closely tied to the [TED Conferences](#).
- ▶ Months after the leaks of NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden, Omidyar took control of all of Snowden's files by

creating [The Intercept](#) media outlet and hiring the journalists that Snowden had been working with: Glenn Greenwald and Laura Poitras. At the same time, Omidyar has been maintaining business ties with Snowden's former employers at Booz Allen Hamilton.

- ▶ Already back in 2008 Omidyar was putting money in the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) while Laura Poitras in particular was working with other NSA whistleblowers as William Binney.

### Open Society Foundations (Soros)

- ▶ Controlled by the billionaire philanthropist George Soros, in the United States closely tied to the Democrat Party and the Clintons, but who also has great influence on the policies of [Bernie Sanders](#) and all things "liberal CIA" that are taking his money. Partly infamous for his secretive Democracy Alliance network of Democrat Party financiers and staunch opposition to the Bush administration of 2000-2008.
- ▶ According to its form 990 for 2013, the Open Society Foundations "only" had a \$1.6 billion dollar endowment, a number that has remained relatively stable over the years. In October 2017 Soros transferred almost all his remaining fortune - \$18 billion in total - to his Open Society Foundations, putting the estimated total at \$20 billion. ...
  - ▶ October 17, 2017, New York Times, 'George Soros Transfers Billions to Open Society Foundations': *"For decades, Mr. Soros funded the Open Society Foundations through annual donations of around \$800 million or \$900 million per year. ... George Soros [now] has given \$18 billion to his Open Society Foundations... Mr. Soros is expected to contribute at least another \$2 billion in the coming years. ...*  
*"There is no foundation in the world, including the Ford Foundation, that has had more impact around the world than the Open Society Foundations in the last two decades," said Darren Walker, president of the Ford Foundation."*
- ▶ Soros has been a close associate of David Rockefeller, Henry Kissinger and friends through the [CFR](#), the [Trilateral Commission](#), [Bilderberg](#), the [Peterson Institute of International Economics](#), and the [Bretton Woods Committee](#). The latter Soros visited annually from the 1990s until the 2020s, always alongside the likes of David Rockefeller, Henry Kissinger, George Shultz, Paul Volcker, Zbigniew Brzezinski and other close allies of the Rockefeller clique.
  - ▶ [iie.com/institute/board.htm](#) (accessed: April 16, 2003): *" [Peterson] Institute for International Economics: ... Board*

*of Directors: Peter G. Peterson, Chairman ... Conrad Black ... \*Carla A. Hills ... David Rockefeller. David M. Rubenstein. Renato Ruggiero. ... George Soros. Lawrence H. Summers. Peter D. Sutherland. Jean Claude Trichet. ... Paul A. Volcker. ... Karl Otto Pöhl ... Lee Kuan Yew... Ex officio: \*C. Fred Bergsten. ... Honorary Directors: Alan Greenspan. ... George P. Shultz."* Soros left the board after Dec. 2004. Lynn Forester de Rothschild joined the board in later years.

- ▶ Through annual attendance of the [World Economic Forum in Davos](#) since at least 1996, the a [European Council on Foreign Relations](#) that he founded in 2007, in turn tied to the [Munich Security Conferences](#) (on whose board Soros sits anno 2020), and his Open Society Foundations donations, Soros also has [ENORMOUS influence on European Union policy](#). Part of this influence also runs through his involvement in Bilderberg and his close association with Princess Mabel Wisse Smit of Orange.
- ▶ The board of Soros' [International Crisis Group](#) has been stacked with international elites: Robert McNamara, Sen. George Mitchell, Vernon Jordan, Jacques Delors, Zbigniew Brzezinski, Richard Armitage, Gen. Wesley Clark, Larry Summers, Lord George Robertson, Lord Chris Patten, Wim Kok, Joschka Fischer, Hushang Ansary, Prince Turki al Faisal of the House of Saud, oligarchs as Mikhail Khodorkovsky, Morton Abramowitz, Yegor Gaidar and Victor Pinchuk, and many others.
- ▶ Along with the Rockefeller, Ford, MacArthur and allied foundations a major financier of "new left" activist groups the [Institute for Policy Studies](#) and the [People for the American Way](#), as well as "new left" media outlets as [The Nation](#) and [Mother Jones](#).
- ▶ Since the early 1990s the chief financier of [weed and psychedelic legalization projects](#), mainly through his [Drug Policy Alliance](#).
- ▶ Key personnel:
  - ▶ Princess Mabel Wisse Smit: Controversial for past ties to [Dutch organized crime boss Klaas Bruinsma](#), who in turn may have known a thing or two about Dutch elite pedophile networks. Married into the royal house of Orange. Co-founder with Soros of the European Council on Foreign Relations in 2007.
  - ▶ [Morton Halperin](#): Long-time elite civil rights activist.
  - ▶ November 29, 2006, Open Society Foundations press release, 'How Do Progressives Connect Ideas to Action?': *"As part of a series of discussions marking the tenth anniversary of the Open Society Institute's U.S. Programs, Bill Moyers and a distinguished panel of commentators addressed the health and future of the progressive*

*movement... Robert Borosage, Campaign for America's Future [financed by Turner, Tides, Arca and Soros' Open Society Foundations], ... John Podesta, Center for American Progress ... Katrina vanden Heuvel, The Nation..."*

- ▶ Soros' main obsession is pushing Third World immigrants into the West by [pouring hundreds of millions of dollars into open border NGOs, mainly alongside the Ford Foundation](#). The reasons are hard to figure out, but likely to boost the economy, and stock market in particular, along neoliberal lines - also explaining "liberal CIA's" feminism and LGBTQ obsession (or the fact that the [Soros-funded Black Lives Matter group](#) wants to destroy the "nuclear family"):
  - ▶ Already at the turn of the century, Soros sat on the board of the NGO [Refugees International](#), well ahead of the times.
  - ▶ November 22, 2016, Soros' Open Society Institute press release, 'Open Society Foundations Announce \$10 Million Initiative to Confront Hate': *"Harsh rhetoric and policy proposals during the 2016 presidential campaign [in which arch-Soros enemy Donald Trump won] drew on racist, sexist, anti-immigrant, anti-Muslim, anti-Semitic, anti-LGBTI, and other forms of hate have encouraged a wave of physical and verbal attacks nationwide. The [Southern Poverty Law Center](#) has received over 700 reports of "hateful harassment and intimidation" since November 8 [and] there have been more than 1,000 bias-related incidents since the election."*
- ▶ Well before he got involved with the Rockefeller clique through the CFR and such, Soros' wealth was tied to the Rothschild family, Edgar de Picciotto ([1001 Club](#), like the Rothschilds) and Sir James Goldsmith - all considered CIA and/or Mossad assets:
  - ▶ [georgesoros.com/faqs/](#) [archive/category/finance/](#) (accessed: July 11, 2011): *"In 1963, before accepting a new position at the investment firm Arnold & S. Bleichroder [Samuel Bleichröder founded the bank in Berlin in 1803. The U.S. branch also served as the U.S. branch for the Rothschilds.], he took a few months off to focus on a book of philosophy he had been writing for years. In 1966, still working at Arnold & S. Bleichroder, he used \$100,000 of the firm's capital as seed money to establish the First Eagle Fund. The success of that fund helped him build valuable relationships within the investment community. In 1973 he left Arnold & S. Bleichroder to set up his own hedge fund with \$12 million with money from investors. Initially called the Soros Fund, it was eventually renamed the Quantum Fund."*
  - ▶ [streetstories.com/James\\_Rogers.htm](#) (accessed: February

10, 2018): *"Quantum Fund (1970 to 1980) ... Jim Rogers and John Templeton both went to Yale and Oxford. Both later introduced by the Master of Balliol. Rogers worked for Arnold S. Bleichroeder in 1970, where he met Soros. They left in 1973 because new brokerage firm regulation prevents one from getting a percentage of profits."*

- ▶ April 26, 2011, Arnaud de Borchgrave at Newsmax, 'Soros Backer: 'Widespread Moral Decline' Caused Debt Crisis': *"Such was George C. Karlweis, the brain behind Banque Privee, owned by the late Edmond de Rothschild. His biggest claim to fame: George Soros and the launch of his Quantum Fund in 1969. An original \$100,000 stake in Soros' fund was worth \$150 million by 1994. Between 1970 and 2000, the return was 3,365 percent (for 10 consecutive years it did 42.6 percent per year). In 1992, Soros bet billions against the British pound — and broke the Bank of England ("Black Wednesday")."*
- ▶ 2009, Erin Arvedlund, 'Too Good to Be True: The Rise and Fall of Bernie Madoff': *"Beat Notz ... once worked at Lehman Brothers International in Paris. In 1968, he cofounded Haussmann Holdings with Groupe Worms in Paris. His partner, Christian Stucki ... in 1968, cofounded the Leveraged Capital Holdings fund with the Rothschilds [and] Georges Karlweis, managing director of the private bank to Edmond the Rothschild... Haussmann Holdings played kingmaker to many future titans of the hedge fund industry. Haussmann gave the then-unknown money manager George Soros his start in the 1970s and later, Julian Robertson's Tiger Fund, Paul Tudor Jones, Louis Bacon, and others..."*
- ▶ May 27, 2016, Byron Wien ([Harvard](#); [Morgan Stanley](#); [Blackstone](#); co-authored a book with George Soros; [Open Society Foundations](#) and [Pritzker Foundation](#)) for Real Clear Markets, 'Remembering My Mentor, The Smartest Man in Europe': *"My good friend and mentor Edgar de Picciotto [semi controversial [1001 Club](#) member], Chairman of Union Bancaire Privée in Geneva, has passed away. ... I came to know him well when we were both Supervisory Directors of Soros Fund Management and met for several days twice a year in Europe (Soros was an offshore fund.) When I started writing about him in 2002, I chose not to reveal his name to protect his privacy."*
- ▶ May 16, 1998, The Independent, 'Profile: George Soros: God of all he surveys': *"By the mid-Eighties Soros was becoming known in circles outside Wall Street and the City of London. He began entertaining lavishly, and attracted guests such as Sir James Goldsmith and George Weidenfeld."*
- ▶ 1996, Robert Slater, 'Soros: The Life, Times & Trading Secrets of the World's Greatest Investor', pp. 200-202: "

*[Now] with a 13 percent ownership [in U.S. gold mining firm Newmont Mining by 1993], Soros was the firm's second biggest shareholder. Goldsmith remained first with a 30 percent share. Rothschild had just under 5 percent. Soros, Goldsmith, and Lord Rothschild were all close acquaintances. One link between Soros and the Rothschild firm was Nils Taube, Rothschild's chief investment officer, a nonexecutive director of the Quantum Fund, and a close Soros associate for many years. ...*

*The Observer, for example, referred to Soros's close ties with Jimmy Goldsmith and Nils O. Taube: "These kinds of connections, this impression of an insiders' gang, are what make more mainstream investors occasionally raise an eyebrow where Soros is concerned. His associates may talk about a sixth sense, but even some of their comments contribute to the impression that Soros has created for himself a comprehensive network for gathering information.""*

- ▶ Democracy-sponsoring and CIA ties of George Soros since the late 1970s:

- ▶ 'June 28, 2016, Khodorkovsky.com, 'An evening with George Soros at Open Russia Club': "I actually went to the Soviet Union in the 70s. I had a list of refuseniks and dissidents that I took with me. ...

*It was Christmas of 86 when he [Andrei Sakharov] received a phone call from Gorbachev in Nizhny Novgorod, where Gorbachev asked him to return to Moscow ... and when I heard about it I understood that something had really changed. That was when I decided to return to the Soviet Union.*

*When I told him [Andrei Sakharov] that I wanted to set up a foundation in the Soviet Union, he said, 'young man, you are going to fill the coffers of the KGB. Actually the KGB played an important role in the setting up of the foundation. It was a reformist cell and they took me in their confidence. ...*

*This was a time when the dollar had tremendous value in the Soviet Union. 500 dollars was enough for a family to live for a year. [For me] it was a way to preserve natural science in Russia. I gave a 100 million dollars for that foundation. ...*

*I proposed this [new] Marshall Plan [for the Soviet Union], in Germany to Foreign Minister Genscher, and the representative of Margaret Thatcher broke out in spontaneous laughter when I suggested the European Union should pay for it. ...*

*All the oligarchs came to Davos and I met with them, and I urged them to support Yavlinsky ... Berezovsky was*

*against it. This was to do with the loans for shares, where the loans were never to be repaid, and that was the beginning of the oligarchy. He [Berezovsky] was a really evil influence, he was the source of corruption of that [Yeltsin] family. He had more leeway than he thought he had in changing the system. He said to me, 'you don't understand, if I don't kill them, they'll kill me.' ...*

*Unfortunately in the case of Russia it was a failed revolution because it led to a revival of the Russian imperial dream. ...*

*The big difference between what happened then and what happened more recently is that the dominant belief then was international governance, you had the Communist Party with the Internationale and you had the European Union trying to do on a small scale what would have been a model for global governance. But that old ideology has been replaced by a new ideology based on nationalism, which was first implemented in the West by George W. Bush."*

- June 2, 2003, The New Statesman, 'NS Profile - George Soros': *"Soros may not, as some have suggested, be a fully paid-up CIA agent. But that his companies and NGOs are closely wrapped up in US expansionism cannot seriously be doubted. ...*

*The conventional view, shared by many on the left, is that socialism collapsed in eastern Europe because of its systemic weaknesses and the political elite's failure to build popular support. That may be partly true, but Soros's role was crucial. From 1979, he distributed \$3m a year to dissidents including Poland's Solidarity movement, Charter 77 in Czechoslovakia and Andrei Sakharov in the Soviet Union. In 1984, he founded his first Open Society Institute in Hungary and pumped millions of dollars into opposition movements and independent media. Ostensibly aimed at building up a "civil society", these initiatives were designed to weaken the existing political structures and pave the way for eastern Europe's eventual colonisation by global capital. Soros now claims, with characteristic immodesty, that he was responsible for the "Americanisation" of eastern Europe. ...*

*The Yugoslavs remained stubbornly resistant [to the sponsored free market revolution in Eastern Europe] and repeatedly returned Slobodan Milosevic's unreformed Socialist Party [which was supported by Russia] to government. Soros was equal to the challenge. From 1991, his Open Society Institute channelled more than \$100m to the coffers of the anti-Milosevic opposition, funding political parties, publishing houses and "independent"*



*media such as Radio B92, the plucky little student radio station of western mythology which was in reality bankrolled by one of the world's richest men on behalf of the world's most powerful nation. With Sloba finally toppled in 2000 in a coup d'etat financed, planned and executed in Washington, all that was left was to cart the ex-Yugoslav leader to the Hague tribunal, co-financed by Soros along with those other custodians of human rights [abuses]. He faced charges of crimes against humanity, war crimes and genocide, based in the main on the largely anecdotal evidence of (you've guessed it) Human Rights Watch. ...*

*In Kosovo, for example, he has invested \$50m in an attempt to gain control of the Trepca mine complex, where there are vast reserves of gold, silver, lead and other minerals estimated to be worth in the region of \$5bn. He thus copied a pattern he has deployed to great effect over the whole of eastern Europe: of advocating "shock therapy" and "economic reform", then swooping in with his associates to buy valuable state assets at knock-down prices."*

► Influence of George Soros and the Open Society Foundation in the European Union:

- George Soros financed the founding of the [European Council on Foreign Relations](#) in 2007. Mabel Wisse Smit of Orange and Bilderberg chairman Etienne Davignon were among the founding council members, along with countless other elites.

- November 2011, ECFR, Policy Brief, 'How to stop the demilitarisation of Europe', pp. 12-13: *"Among members of the European Council on Foreign Relations are current and former prime ministers, presidents, European commissioners, parliamentarians, ministers, public intellectuals, business leaders, activists and cultural figures from the EU member states and candidate countries. ... Carl Bildt (Sweden) ... Gerhard Kromme (Germany) [of] ThyssenKrupp ... Etienne Davignon ... Joschka Fischer (Germany) ... Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg (Germany) ... Jaap de Hoop Scheffer (The Netherlands) [the] former NATO secretary general ... Wolfgang Ischinger (Germany): Chairman, [Munich Security Conference](#) ... Lionel Jospin (France) ... Ben Knapen (The Netherlands) ... Alexander Graf Lambsdorff (Germany)... David Milliband ... Mabel van Oranje ... Chris Patten ... Charles Powell ... George Robertson (United Kingdom): Former Secretary General of NATO ... Karel Schwarzenberg (Czech Republic) ... George Soros ... Dominique*

*Strauss-Kahn [of the IMF] ... "*

- ▶ George Soros' Open Society Foundation has been financing the [European Network Against Racism](#), being the second largest financier behind the European Union itself. This network has been coordinating with 120 NGOs in the EU that stage "grassroots" anti-racism protests.
- ▶ November 14, 2017, former UKIP head Nigel Farage at the European Parliament in Strasbourg: *"Well, as Mr. Moscovici said at the start of this, the leak of all these [Panama] papers, the lists of people with offshore holdings has come about because of the Society of Investigative Journalists. But what's not been said this morning and I think is relevant is that the funding of these investigations came from one George Soros. [Phillip Lamberts, a Green MEP, yells "So What!"]*

*I'm going to come back to "so what" and it may have some personal interest for you as well. ... Just last week the Electoral Commission in the UK launched an investigation to find out whether the "Leave" campaign took offshore money or Russian money. This came about as a result of questions asked in the House of Commons by one Ben Bradshaw, somebody linked to an organisation called Open Society.*

*I just wonder, when we're talking about offshore money, when we're talking about political subversion, when we're talking about collusion, I wonder whether we're looking in the wrong place. And I say that because George Soros recently gave Open Society, his organisation, ... he recently gave it 18 billion dollars. And his influence here and in Brussels is truly extraordinary. Open Society boasts that they had 42 meetings last year [2016] with the European Commission, they have even published a book of reliable friends in the European Parliament and there are 226 names on that list including yours, sir. I thought you'd find this interesting.*

*We even had last week Mr Verhofstadt lobbying on behalf of Mr. Soros at the Conference of Presidents in a battle that is going on with Viktor Orban the Prime Minister of Hungary.*

*If we are going to have a debate and we are going to talk about full political and financial transparency well let's do it, so I shall be writing today to all 226 of you asking some pretty fair questions. Have you ever received funds, directly or indirectly, from Open Society? How many of their events have they attended? Could you please give us a list of the meetings of all their representatives including George Soros yourself?*

*And I think this Parliament should now set up a special committee to look into all of this and I say that because I*

*fear we could be looking at the biggest level of international collusion in history."*

- ▶ EU governments are protecting Soros' activities through their media, with unfortunately even prominent criticism not coming from total outsiders:
  - ▶ November 27, 2017, VPRO (Dutch state television), 'Report: George Soros new scapegoat in Europe' ('Reportage: George Soros nieuwe zondebok in Europa'): *"The Hungarian prime minister Viktor Orban is pushing a hate campaign against speculator and philanthropist George Soros. [He] is being held responsible by Orban, for example, for the incursion of millions of refugees into Europe. Correspondent Tijn Sadee is making a report about the origins of the hate against Soros."*
  - ▶ 2013, US-UK Fulbright Commission and Oxford Thinking, 'Extending the Fulbright Legacy', p. 4: *"former Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán, and current Polish Foreign Minister, Radosław Sikorski. The latter two men received tutorials from Dr Zbigniew Pelczynski, who also taught former President Bill Clinton while he was studying at Oxford."*
  - ▶ [parlament.hu/kepviselo/elet/o320.htm](http://parlament.hu/kepviselo/elet/o320.htm) (accessed: March 6, 2018): *"Dr. Orbán Viktor: ... From April 1988, supported by the Soros Foundation... From September 1989 supported by the Soros Foundation with a scholarship at Oxford's Pembroke College to study the history of liberal political philosophy [with Hegelian political philosopher Zbigniew Pelczynski, who also taught Bill Clinton and Walter Isaacson];"*
  - ▶ April 17, 1999, The Independent, 'New Kids on the Bloc': *"Snapping at the heels of politicians such as Viktor Orban and Tamas Deutsch is an even younger generation of would-be MPs and political leaders, in their 20s, or even their teens. In Poland they study at the School for Leaders, in downtown Warsaw. It was set up by Professor Zbigniew Pelczynski, who taught at Oxford University for 40 years and was a one-time tutor there to Bill Clinton and Viktor Orban."*
- ▶ In 1988 George Soros founded the Stefan Batory Foundation with a group of anti-communist Polish leaders:
  - ▶ 2013 annual report, Stefan Batory Foundation, p. 13: *"Most of our programme activity in 2013 was financed from the funds donated by the Open Society Foundations. With a multi-year grant from the [Charles Stewart Mott Foundation](#) we continued to support NGO coalitions active in the Visegrad countries."*
  - ▶ Fascinating fact: Transylvanian prince Stephan Bathory's sister gave birth to "blood countess" [Elizabeth Bathory](#), who tortured and murdered many dozens of peasant girls

to death in her castle with the entire family covering up the crimes.

- ▶ George Soros parties have included Microsoft's Paul Allen, Harvey Weinstein, Steven Spielberg, and media stars as Beyonce, Jay-Z, Jon Bon Jovi, Denzel Washington, Eddie Murphy and others (notice the huge number of black stars):
  - ▶ January 2, 2008, Fox News, 'Stars Party: A-List Celebs Are Yachting Types': *"Dec. 30. The location was Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen's Octopus, the sixth-largest private yacht in the world at 414 feet. I'm told guests got to rub elbows with Steven Spielberg, Denzel Washington and Brett Ratner, while both Jon Bon Jovi and Robbie Robertson played in separate jam sessions... Also there were Billy Joel with wife, Katie Lee; Harvey Weinstein and bride... financier George Soros... Charles Simonyi and Martha Stewart; Lorne Michaels; and Antonio "LA" Reid of Island Def Jam Records all hung out on the boat. My spies even spotted Warner Music Group's Lyor Cohen, who was probably celebrating his company's spectacular 75 percent loss in value for 2007. ... Liam Neeson..."*
  - ▶ January 1, 2009, New York Post, 'Party Guy Soros is Afloat': *"George Soros got an early start to his New Year's celebration on Tuesday when he partied the night away with two young brunettes aboard fellow billionaire Paul Allen's yacht, Octopus, in St. Barts. A witness said the left-leaning financier showed up with the pair of lovelies and appeared quite "friendly" with them... At one point, Soros, 78, was seen trampling all over one of their gowns as he enjoyed a beverage. The shindig aboard the yacht had a hip-hop flavor, as rap mogul Russell Simmons, Run-DMC's Rev. Run Simmons, Jay-Z and Beyonce were among the revelers. Also on hand were ex-NBA star Alonzo Mourning, Eddie Murphy, Jon Bon Jovi and supermodel Victoria Silvstedt."*
- ▶ George Soros' father, Tivadar Soros, taught George Esperanto and founded the Esperanto-language periodical Literatura Mondo, that was published between 1922 and 1949. Esperanto is/was meant to be a global language. It is purposely constructed to be very simple to learn, at least to Europeans. It only has 16 grammatical rules.
- ▶ Soros' Jewishness, surviving World War II, globalist inspiration and anti-Zionist stance:
  - ▶ Dec. 20, 1998, 60 Minutes Interview: *"STEVE KROFT: Are you religious? MR. SOROS: No. STEVE KROFT: Do you believe in God? MR. SOROS: No."*
  - ▶ February 12, 2007, The New Republic, 'Tyran-a-Soros': *"Soros is ostentatiously indifferent to his own Jewishness. He is not a believer. He has no Jewish*

*communal ties. He certainly isn't a Zionist. He told Connie Bruck in The New Yorker—testily, she recounted—that "I don't deny the Jews their right to a national existence—but I don't want to be part of it." But he has involved himself in the founding of an anti-AIPAC, more dovish Israel lobby."*

- ▶ January 10-17, 1994, The New Republic, 'The Speculator': *"The happiest year of my life, that year of German occupation. For me it is a very positive experience. It's a strange thing, because you see incredible suffering around you and, in fact, you are in considerable danger yourself. But you are fourteen years old and you don't believe that it can actually touch you. You have belief in yourself. You have belief in your father. It is a very happy-making, exhilarating experience."* Considering he and his father were Jews under an assumed name sending other Jews to their deaths, this is quite the untactful remark.
- ▶ January 23, 1995, The New Yorker, 'The World According to George Soros': *"He traces its origins [of feeling detached and duality] to 1944--a year that he has said he recalls more vividly than any other in his life--when, aged fourteen, he posed as the son of a Hungarian government official, sometimes accompanying the official as he delivered deportation notices to Jews, or took possession of property owned by them. Self-control and detachment were the keys to survival. Soros recalled that when his mother was questioned at the police station ... she convinced her interrogators that she was indeed the person her false papers stated she was... He added, however, that after she was released she collapsed, suffering what was "kind of a nervous breakdown"--and he was furious at her for showing such weakness. Sometimes it seems that even today Soros dares not let that control slip; when he was questioned by an interviewer for British TV about that year's experience, Soros rejected the suggestion that it has been traumatic, insisting, rather that it was "an adventure." ... Soros has chosen to exclude Israel and Jewish causes, by and large, from his massive philanthropy... [Soros] continued, "My mother was quite anti-Semitic, and ashamed of being Jewish. Given the culture in which one lived, being Jewish was a clear-cut stigma, disadvantage, a handicap-and, therefore, there was always the desire to transcend it, to escape it." He confirmed what someone had told me-that his family name had long ago been changed from Schwartz. "So the assimilationist Jews of Hungary had a deep sense of inferiority and it took me a long time to work through that," he said, adding, however, that he succeeded in doing so many years ago...*

*"I am escaping the particular. I think I am doing exactly that by espousing this universal concept"-of open society. "In other words, I don't think that you can ever overcome anti-Semitism if you behave as a tribe... the only way you can overcome it is if you give up the tribalness."*

► Soros' influence in the Netherlands:

- Feb. 15, 2019, NRC, 'De strijd van George Soros tegen 'illiberale neigingen' in Nederland': *"Bekend was al dat de OSF vóór 2014 subsidies gaf aan Nederlandse organisaties als ProDemos en KiesKompas, van de stemwijzers, het Meldpunt Discriminatie, de Anne Frank Stichting en enkele moslimorganisaties. Maar de volledige betrokkenheid bij het Nederlandse debat is nooit goed onderzocht. ...*

*Een van de eerste spraakmakende OSF-activiteiten in Nederland is dan ook een filmpje in 2013, gemaakt door de 'Stichting Doetank', waarin groepjes zwarte en witte jongens de straat op worden gestuurd om etnisch profileren door de politie aan de kaak te stellen. Destijds was niet bekend dat dit initiatief door de OSF werd gefinancierd.*

*Tegenwoordig kunnen ruim veertig organisaties in Nederland jaarlijks op zo'n zeven miljoen euro aan OSF-geld rekenen. Het grootste deel daarvan gaat naar organisaties die daarmee ook het Nederlandse debat beïnvloeden. De grootste ontvanger in 2016 was het Transnational Institute (TNI), dat onder meer 664.000 euro ontving voor een tweejarig programma over drugsbeleid. TNI adviseerde de Canadese regering bij de legalisering van marihuana, maar organiseerde ook in Nederland een conferentie over legale teelt van wiet. Medewerkers van TNI schreven in Nederlandse media opinie-artikelen waarin legalisering van wietteelt wordt bepleit en een repressieve aanpak van drugsgebruik wordt afgeraden.*

*De OSF steunt ook andere Nederlandse organisaties die campagne voeren voor een liberaler drugsbeleid. De Stichting O.P.E.N. ontving in 2016 25.000 euro. Deze club organiseert lezingen en conferenties om aandacht te vragen voor de therapeutische werking van harddrugs als lsd, xtc en paddo's. ICEERS kon rekenen op ruim 180.000 euro. Daarmee wil de stichting geneeskrachtige planten introduceren in de reguliere gezondheidszorg. ICEERS promoot onder andere de hallucinogene drank ayahuasca uit de Amazone, die bij zou dragen aan persoonlijke groei."*

► Soros' personality and activities 1970s-1995:

- January 23, 1995, The New Yorker, 'The World According to George Soros': *"Morton Abramowich: ... [Soros has]*

now become a player--but it's very recent, a new phenomenon. ... He has no patience with government. As I frequently say about George, he's the only man in the U.S. who has his own foreign policy--and can implement it." When I told Strobe Talbott, the Deputy Secretary of State, about Abramowitz's remark, Talbott, referring to Soros's foreign policy, responded, "I would say that it is not identical to the foreign policy of the U.S. government--but it's compatible with it. It's like working with a friendly, allied, independent entity, if not a government. We try to synchronize our approach to the former Communist countries, with Germany, France, Great Britain -- and with George Soros," he added with a grin. "[Soros is] a national resource--indeed, a national treasure."

Others, however, describe aspects of Soros that ... seem more threatening than venerable. He is portrayed as someone who has always tended to live by his own rules [and] who can be offended if a leader of a country where he is involved philanthropically is insufficiently subservient [and] who is intent on imposing his influence generally on an ever-expanding area of the world." ... There is "something pretty megalomaniacal about him," Thomas Simons, Jr., the coordinator of United States assistance to the New Independent States (of the former Soviet Union) [and generally a Soros fan], said... As [another] supporter put it, "to see himself as the sun, with other planets revolving around him." ...

Peter Rona, who is the head of the First Hungary investment fund, in which a Quantum fund owns a stake, and who has known Soros for about fifteen years, told me, "George has a very abstract mind--to the point that he is almost dehumanized. ... the more you're dealing with something about which no scientific hypothesis can be formed [i.e. feelings], no general laws applied, the worse he gets. ... The excellence of his judgments about markets exceeds by a comfortable margin his judgments about people." ... Byron Wein [a friend of Soros since the 1960s] told me that ... "He wants to achieve certain objectives--he gets his satisfaction from that, not from human relationships. ... George has transactional relationships. People get something from him, he from them." ...

Legions of traders passed through the revolving door of Quantum; some are said to have lasted only a day, others a week. ... Soros was an expert at targeting people's weaknesses--scathing in his sarcasm and eager to stir internecine rivalries as a means of augmenting his control. (Once, when he had just hired a group of six money managers, he is said to have summoned them all



into his office and announced, "Gentlemen, in one year there will be five of you. Now leave.") A former employee told me that he has concluded that Soros has "a horror of intimacy." He said, "George spends most of his energy with other people pushing them away, including insultingly. ... You'd put your heart into something and George, in front of everybody, would say, "I'm shorting it." It was rude, brutal--he was in your face all the time." ...

Quantum [Fund] did have a board of directors, which Soros could not join, because he was an American citizen, but it did not matter. "The directors have no authority; they're there as a formality," says Edgar Astaire, who, after many years as a director, recently resigned to join the Quantum operation. "All the authority is George's." A current member of the board offered a similar assessment, commenting, "Under Netherlands [Antilles] law, the directors have less authority than the doorman." Regulatory oversight was also scant ... It operated in an extremely unregulated environment, and within that environment, many former employees say, Soros gravitated to areas--like currency trading--where oversight was even more minimal. As one expressed it, "George has his own rules--they're different, larger. He is unencumbered." ...

This person [a Soros friend] added that, in his view, Soros's remarkable career in the financial markets has not sated his "long quest for legitimacy ... because George knows that in the financial world many will say that his success is due more to his aggressive positioning and muscling of markets than to any thoughtful insights." ... [frinds saying he is tough to be friends with, because he is always demanding great ideas from them during their conversations]

He had harbored messianic illusions--what he describes as a sense of himself as superhuman--since childhood. ... "It was a bit of a guilty secret until I became successful, because it was incongruous..." Soros said to me, "God in the Old Testament has a number of attributes, you. Like invisible--I was pretty invisible. Benevolent--I was pretty benevolent. All-seeing--I tried to be all seeing!" Then, laughing, he said, "So I was playing it out." ...

In the early eighties, Soros paused. ... his junior partner at Quantum, Jim Rogers, left amid fierce acrimony; Soros's marriage, to Annaliese Witschak, broke up; he was having problems with his three children; and his fund was down 22.9 per cent for 1981. .... Two of his friends told me that this was the only period when they has ever seen Soros decidedly not in control, and quite vulnerable... One investor who attended the 1982

Quantum shareholders' meeting recalled, "He was tarnished goods. People were saying he'd lost it." ...

The investment process, of course, involves information as well as analysis; and Soros's access to information has long been the talk - and the envy - of many of his fellow-traders. A former associate recalled an episode in the early seventies which involved Quantum's portfolio of Japanese stock. ... "One night, at midnight, George called me and said, 'Sell the Japanese portfolio.' I said, "There are only two hours of trading left--sell the whole portfolio?" "The whole portfolio." Soros was in Washington, D.C., when he called, this person continued, and in the next two days the United States government put restrictions on trading with Japan. "George is a terrific intelligence officer," this person added. ...

His first foundation, established in 1984... His brother, Paul [said]: ... "Up until that point, George wanted to be financially successful. But then it was 'O.K., you've made a hundred million dollars in one year, now what do you do?' ... Instead of donating five million dollars to a hospital, five million dollars to a university--the conventional way--he felt you could get much more bang for the buck by trying to do things to foster an open society in these [East European] countries." ... In this early period, especially, Soros was heavily involved in the work of the foundations. Colleagues recall the evident pleasure he took in reviewing hundreds of grant applications and, when he visited a region, in sitting around kitchen tables with local dissidents, discussing politics far into the night. ... He was a benevolent autocrat, however, and he stuck to his resolution to maintain a low profile. It was not really feasible to do otherwise. As Soros pointed out to me, the foundations were subversive [to the communists], and their real motivations had to be "under wraps"...

[Soros] has lobbied Strobe Talbott and others in the State Department and the National Security Council. And at the Bretton Woods Conference in Washington last July [1994], Soros worked the corridors assiduously, attempting to persuade members of the European Union to help Macedonia. ...

The problem with Soros is the extremity of his views--his tendency to beautify one side and demonize the other--and the way in which that is reflected in his activism. ... To Soros fans like Strobe Talbott; Leslie Gelb, the president of the Council on Foreign Relations; and Mark Malloch Brown, the head of public affairs at the World Bank, Soros is the trailblazer they hope other businesspeople will follow, moving to fill the vacuum left

*by an over-extended and inadequate government. ... "George never wanted publicity," an old friend says, "but he feels he's past that--he feels he's impregnable now.""*

► Soros' international financial attacks since 1992:

► June 4, 2010, Business Insider, 'The Real Story Of How George Soros Shorted The Pound, Etching His Name Into Financial History Forever': *"Sebastian Mallaby, tells the tale of how Soros used his Quantum Fund to break the pound to pieces and pocket a billion dollars. ... Soros had AT LEAST \$1.5 billion bet on the pound since August, 1992. The devaluation crisis occurred a month later in September. Instead of steadily building up a position in September of 1992, Soros told his lieutenants to "go for the jugular." Investor Louis Moore Bacon worked with Soros to find ways to dump the pound."*

► Sep. 22, 1997, Los Angeles Times, 'Malaysian Leader, Soros Trade Barbs': *"Mahathir, 71, who has overseen Malaysia's growth during his 16-year rule, charged that Soros aimed to stop the fast-growing region in its tracks. "All these countries have spent 40 years trying to build up their economies," Mahathir said before the conference, "and a moron like Soros comes along with a lot of money" and undermines them. ... "Currency trading," Mahathir declared in a speech Saturday evening, "is unnecessary, unproductive and immoral. ... It should be illegal." ...*

*Soros denied that his hedge fund, the \$9.1-billion Quantum Fund, had a role in devaluing the ringgit; in his own speech, he said that ironically the buying of Malaysian currency during the crash helped buffer the impact. Mahathir, he claimed, was using him "as a scapegoat for his own mistakes." But Soros admitted to zeroing in on the Thai baht and other currencies, sending regional stock markets spiraling downward. ... "Dr. Mahathir," Soros added, "is a menace to his own country."*

*In the past months, Soros has suggested meeting with Mahathir to discuss international economics. But Mahathir rejected such a meeting, calling Soros a "criminal" and a "moron." At the heart of their conflict is a fundamental disagreement over the free flows of capital and ideas--notions that underpin how countries should develop and interact in global society. ...*

*Mahathir refused to meet Soros face to face at the World Bank meeting, so they addressed each other obliquely, in seminars on consecutive evenings.*

*In his speech, Soros insisted that speculators are doing the Asian countries a service, providing a kind of shock treatment for governments that had ignored warning signals to get their economic houses in order. He cited the*

*weaknesses in the fast-developing region that attracted his hedge fund's attention: lax supervision of the banking system, overly lenient credit policies in Thailand and Malaysia, and a lack of economic information.*

*An International Monetary Fund committee announced Sunday it is seeking new powers to encourage member nations to gradually lift most constraints on the movement of investment capital in and out of their markets.*

*But the recent sharp drop of Southeast Asian currencies and stock markets has made developing countries wary of any infringement on their ability to protect against sudden large movements of foreign money in or out of their economies."*

- Sep. 25, 1997, The Economist, 'Mahathir, Soros and the currency markets; Amoral maybe, but currency speculators are both necessary and productive': *"The Mahathir view of the world rests on a belief that speculators' decisions are guided by their own appetite for profit, and therefore pay little or no attention to the underlying health of economies. But speculators do not select their targets at random. It is true that their objective is to make money, but the best way to do this in the long term is to spot currencies that are out of line with economic fundamentals, and whose price is therefore likely to change. The devaluations of sterling and the lira in 1992, the Mexican peso in 1994 and South-East Asian currencies this year all reflected economic imbalances. The changes in the prices of these currencies were necessary anyway; the speculators, arguably, just called the change first. ...*

*Currency trading also plays an important role in providing liquidity in the market for foreign-exchange, helping to match buyers and sellers. Suppose that speculation were banned, so anyone who had bought a foreign-currency denominated asset would have to keep it for a specified period, regardless of changes in economic conditions. In such a situation, there would be a strong incentive not to hold the currency at all. Investors in South-East Asia have, in part, been lured in by the knowledge that they can if necessary get out again quickly. This suggests that Mr Mahathir is wrong to claim that currency trading has no economic value. But it does not mean currency markets are perfect. Financial markets are vulnerable to "bubbles" and excess volatility."*

- August 14, 2019, China Global Television Network, 'How Hong Kong survived the 1998 financial crisis': *"The 1990s saw the liberalization of capital markets in Asia.*

*International hot money was pouring into Asia amid praise for the "Asian Miracle" and bloated optimism. ... But a storm was brewing.*

*On July 2, 1997, just a day after Hong Kong's return to China, Thailand became the first casualty in the Asian financial crisis, following a calculated attack on the Baht from international speculators. The country was forced to abandon the Baht's fixed exchange rate with the U.S. dollar, effectively crashing the currency.*

*The crisis quickly spread across the region as predatory hedge funds, such as Soros' Quantum Fund, feasted on the bloodbath by shorting the Asian markets. One after the other, the currencies of Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines and South Korea were brought to the ground. The huge influx of foreign capital that had fueled Asia's boom was quickly pulled out, leaving a trail of destruction.*

*In 1997, Hong Kong's economy was more resilient than its Asian peers [and held out]. ... Since July 1997, Soros and others launched a series of attacks on the HK dollar. ... Soros was unstoppable, having amassed many billions of profits wreaking havoc around Asia. The reviled financier, who famously attacked the British pound in 1992 then the Mexican peso in 1995, held remarkable sway over international hot money. Few thought a small but open economy like Hong Kong stood a chance against the veteran investor. ...*

*"There is a standing offer for extending help, if help is required, in the use of the mainland's foreign reserves (140 billion U.S. dollars)." With this reassurance, on August 14, the HKMA and then Finance Secretary Donald Tsang declared war on speculators. After record trading of 79 billion HK dollars (almost 10 billion U.S. dollars), the Hang Seng Index was pushed up against crushing pressure from speculative selling, closing at 7,829 on the final day of the showdown on August 28. The HKSAR government defeated Soros, who was forced to walk away with losses. ...*

*The intervention, dubbed "gamble of the century," took great courage since it would damage the city's laissez-faire reputation. The move was widely criticized by ... Milton Friedman and then Federal Reserves chairman Alan Greenspan. [However] a decade later, Greenspan wrote that the HKSAR had made the right call. Soros himself also admitted in 2001 that the authorities did "a very good job when they intervened to arrest the collapse of the Hong Kong market."*

- January 27, 2016, South China Morning Post, 'How Beijing and Hong Kong sent billionaire George Soros packing the

last time he attacked Asian markets: The history of how George Soros has affected currencies and economies in Asia is remembered with some bitterness': *"Billionaire investor George Soros said last week that a hard-landing in the Chinese economy was "unavoidable" and that he was shorting Asian currencies...*

*In 1998, Soros, whose aggressive currency trades were blamed for destroying the Thai and Malaysian economies in the Asian financial crisis a year earlier, turned his attention to attacking Hong Kong markets. On that occasion, Hong Kong, backed by Beijing, faced him with an unprecedented HK\$118 billion [\$15 billion] stock-buying spree to prop up stock prices and defend the currency peg in August 1998.*

*Chen Xingdong, the chief China economist with BNP Paribas in Beijing: ... "Many are worried that Soros could attack China, the yuan and the Hong Kong dollar as he did to ... the baht, but I don't think he still has that power."*

► Remaining:

- November 3, 2017, New York Post, 'Portfolio manager accused of raping, beating women in penthouse Dungeon': *"A former portfolio manager for an investment fund founded by financier George Soros sexually abused women at a Manhattan penthouse dungeon, according to a \$27 million Brooklyn federal suit.*

*Howie Rubin, 62, whose high-stakes dealing was featured in the best-selling books "Liar's Poker" and "The Big Short," rented the lavish Metropolitan Tower pad in Midtown to indulge in brutal sex with women whom he paid between \$2,000 and \$5,000 per session, according to the suit filed Thursday.*

*The three unidentified plaintiffs in the case — including two Playboy Playmates — claim the married father raped and beat them to the point that they needed extensive medical attention, court papers say.*

*At the \$8 million penthouse, they were shown to a side room featuring ropes, chains and sex toys along with other BDSM equipment. ...*

*The former Bear Stearns trader paid her \$20,000 to repair the damage [of a damaged breast implant].*

*One plaintiff was tied up, gagged and shocked with a cattle prod in her groin before Rubin allegedly raped her, according to the filing.*

*Rubin — who collaborated with two female fixers and a lawyer — had the women sign non-disclosure agreements, the papers state.*

*The trio sought to "cover up Rubin's sexual misconduct and criminal abuse of women and to serve as a cover for*

*his wide-ranging human trafficking scheme," wrote Balestriere."*

- ▶ November 25, 2003, opensocietyfoundations.org, 'OSI Statement on U.S. Campaign Finance Reform and Independent Organizations': *"George Soros and Soros family philanthropies have provided its funding, and Mr. Soros chairs the board of the foundation, but all decisions about grants are made by a professional staff with significant expertise on these issues. Furthermore, these decisions are reviewed periodically by a board of trustees. There is not and has never been any relationship or coordination between the activities of the foundation and George Soros's personal investment decisions or [formal] political activities as a private citizen. ... OSI's long-term goals have been to reduce the corrupting influence of very large donors to political parties and candidates, to increase public trust and participation, and to open the system so that candidates without access to financial resources can be heard by voters."*
- ▶ 2020 Trump-Biden elections:
  - ▶ July 31, 2019, Politico, 'Soros launches super PAC for 2020': *"Democratic megadonor George Soros is creating a super PAC, called Democracy PAC, to serve as a hub for his 2020 election spending. ... His \$5.1 million contribution [to the PAC] was the single biggest check any megadonor has cut so far during the 2020 election cycle."*
  - ▶ March 11, 2020, newsbusters.org, 'Soros' Democracy PAC Gave \$7,000,000 Between Pro-Biden PAC & Liberal Senate Majority PAC': *"George Soros' super PAC, Democracy PAC, gave Priorities USA Action \$2 million in one shot on Jan. 10, according to Federal Election Commission data. ... Priorities USA, is going to be providing cover via ads for the presumptive Democratic nominee for president, Joe Biden. ... Records also show that Soros' PAC gave \$5 million to the liberal Senate Majority PAC, which tries to help Democrats win control over the Senate."*
  - ▶ March 28 - April 3, 2020, Advertising Analytics, 'The Week In Review': *"The Advertising Analytics weekly recaps include advertising activity that we find particularly interesting. ... 18 ads aired on TV this week about the Coronavirus. Here are the three with the most airings: - "Hoax" from [the Soros-funded] Priorities USA [anti-Trump], 1,485 airings. - "Look Out for Each Other" from Amy McGrath, 772 airings. "Not Responsible" from Priorities USA, 520 airings [anti-Trump]."*



► International NGO that is active in the United States and many European countries. Branches finance loads of sustainable development, [feminism](#), [birth control](#), [pro-Third World immigration](#), and [pro-Palestine activism](#) groups. It has also been deeply involved in financing [anti-Donald Trump protests](#) in many different countries. Example:

► June 24, 2016, Oxfam.org, 'Reject dangerous migration response plan, more than 120 NGOs tell EU leaders': *"The European Union is set to open a dark chapter in its history unless it rejects the European Commission's proposal on migration, a coalition of more than 120 NGOs warned on Monday. ... The plan proposes using aid, trade and other funds to encourage countries to reduce the number of migrants reaching EU shores."*

When one checks the NGOs in the accompanying PDF (without checking them all in detail), many receive financing from Oxfam, Soros' Open Society Foundations or other top foundations. A lot of them are quite obscure though. [Nu.nl](#), the no. 1 news aggregate website of the Netherlands, thought it important enough to mention this press report of Oxfam. Easy access to the media is how these NGOs get their voice out.

► [causeview.com/customer-success/oxfam-canada/](#) (accessed: February 18, 2017): *"Oxfam Canada is a member of Oxfam, a confederation of 15 national Oxfam's around the world. ... Together, Oxfam raises over \$350 million annually."* According to annual reports, a little over 60% of this comes from individuals and about 14% from foundations.

► Random examples of financing (it keeps the supporting NGOs' names out of its annual reports):

► Oxfam has a relatively large financial support base among the public. About 500,000 people regularly contribute to it in Great Britain alone. It is often the subject of benefit concerts or sports events as marathons.

► [Ford Foundation](#) grants list 2006-2016: *"Oxfam: ... 2006: \$50,000. ... 2007: \$50,000. ... 2008: \$75,000 [and] \$100,000. ... 2009: \$75,000 [and] \$200,000. ... 2013: \$200,000. ... 2014: \$905,000. ... 2015: \$100,000. ... Oxfam India: ... 2009: \$200,000.*

*Oxfam-America, Inc.: ... 2009: \$500,000. ... 2011: \$150,000. ... 2013: \$300,000 [and] \$450,957. ... 2014: \$120,000 [and] \$300,000. ... 2015: \$330,000. ... Stichting Oxfam Novib: ... 2008: \$120,000. ... 2009: \$200,000. ... 2010: \$170,000. ... 2011: \$400,000. ... 2014: \$300,000 [and] \$300,000."*

► [Hewlett Foundation](#): [hewlett.org](#) grants database (accessed: February 18, 2017): *"Oxfam America: ... \$2,500,000. Awarded: March 18, 2013. ... \$110,000. Awarded: May 22, 2012. ... \$330,000. Awarded: April 21,*

2012. ... \$500,000. Awarded: November 15, 2010. ... \$1,200,000. Awarded: March 22, 2010. ...

*Oxfam Novib: ... \$900,000. Awarded: July 16, 2012."*

► **Packard Foundation:** [packard.org/what-we-fund/grants-database/oxfam-america-inc/](http://packard.org/what-we-fund/grants-database/oxfam-america-inc/) (accessed: February 18, 2017): *"Oxfam-America Inc. Date: 2015. ... Amount: \$205,000..."*

► **Rockefeller Foundation:** [rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/oxfam/](http://rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/oxfam/) (accessed: February 18, 2017): *"Oxfam: ... 2016: \$125,000. 2013 - \$500,000."*

► Rockefeller Foundation: [rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/oxfam-america/](http://rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/oxfam-america/) (accessed: February 18, 2017): *"Oxfam America: ... 2016: \$99,770."*

► 1999 annual report, **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation:** *"Oxfam: ... \$2,969,972."*

► May 14, 2007, [philanthropynewsdigest.org](http://philanthropynewsdigest.org), 'Oxfam America Receives \$7.1 Million From Gates Foundation for Gulf Coast Advocacy'.

► Examples of more overlap between Oxfam and George Soros' Open Society Foundations:

► Oxfam and Oxfam Novib has financed Jonathan Soros' [Global Witness](#) NGO.

► Open Society and Oxfam finances many of the same projects.

► [opensocietyfoundations.org/people/jon-jacoby](http://opensocietyfoundations.org/people/jon-jacoby): *"Jon Jacoby (accessed: February 18, 2017): ... Jonathan Jacoby is a program officer with the [Open Society](#) Human Rights Initiative. ... Jacoby was previously the special advisor for private-sector engagement to Oxfam International's executive director."*

► [opensocietyfoundations.org/people/cathy-ross](http://opensocietyfoundations.org/people/cathy-ross) (accessed: February 18, 2017): *"Regional manager for the Latin America Program, Cathy Ross... From 1999 through 2005, she served as Oxfam America's Amazon program officer, based in Lima, Peru."*

► [oxfamamerica.org/explore/about-oxfam/leadership/board-of-directors/](http://oxfamamerica.org/explore/about-oxfam/leadership/board-of-directors/) (accessed: February 18, 2017): *"Raymond C. Offenheiser President, Oxfam America: ... Prior to joining Oxfam, Ray represented the [Ford Foundation](#) in Bangladesh and the Andean and Southern Cone regions of South America. ... [advisory board] World Economic Forum, the Clinton Global Initiative, the Council on Foreign Relations, the Aspen Institute, the World Agricultural Forum, the [Gates Foundation](#), Harvard Business School... [Oxfam director] Barry Gaberman Senior Vice President, [Ford Foundation](#) (retired)..."*

*[Oxfam director] Mohamad Ali: ... served as Chief Strategy Officer at Hewlett-Packard [[Hewlett Foundation](#)*

and [Packard Foundation](#)]...

[Oxfam director] Latanya Mapp Frett: Executive Director, [Planned Parenthood Global](#)...

[Oxfam director] Anne L. Garrels: Journalist, [National Public Radio](#) (retired)... She set up NPR's Iraq bureau and led the coverage from Baghdad for 6 years...

Laura Rusu Policy and Campaigns Media Manager, Oxfam America: ... She was also ... a consultant for the United Nations Population Fund and the [Open Society Foundation](#) of Romania."

- ▶ February 10, 2018, The Sun, 'Orgy chief REF SHAME: Oxfam boss who bedded hookers got new job using reference from charity': "Country director for Haiti Roland van Hauwermeiren, 68, admitted using [14 to 16-year-old] hookers at the charity's rented villa known as the Eagle's Nest and was allowed to quit, The Times said yesterday. ... Van Hauwermeiren went on to work in Bangladesh for Action Against Hunger. Yesterday, the French charity said it gave him the role after Oxfam sent a reference. ...

Oxfam says it may have been faked. The charity launched a 2011 inquiry into claims of sex abuse and intimidation by workers helping survivors of the quake, which killed 220,000 in 2010. It found there had been a "culture of impunity" among some staff. But bosses never informed local police about reports of underage sex. And it did not disclose its men were using prostitutes in a report to the Charity Commission."

## David and Lucile Packard Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 1964 by Hewlett Packard (HP) co-founder David Packard, also the long-time chair of the foundation. Packard was Nixon's deputy defense secretary 1969-1971 and part of the superclass.
- ▶ Like the Hewlett Foundation, today one of the largest U.S. foundations with an endowment of about \$6 billion.
- ▶ Others involved: William Reilly (trustee; president WWF until 1989, later chair; EPA administrator 1989-1993; chair [ClimateWorks Foundation](#); director and counsel of the secretive [Sustainable Markets Foundation](#); executive director [Ralph Nader's](#) NY-PIRG)
- ▶ Anno 2016 no grant reports have been made public through the internet for many years. Here are grants lists from old annual reports:
  - ▶ 1995 annual report, Packard Foundation: "Nature Conservancy: ... \$1,000,000 ... Yale University: ... \$75,000 ... Bradley University [Illinois]: ... \$500,000 ... Colorado State University: ... \$1,000,000 ... Foundation of California State University: ... \$225,000 ... Polytechnic

University: ... \$396,000 ... University of California, Santa Cruz Foundation: ... \$1,000,000 ... University of California, Riverside Foundation: ... \$250,000 ... Yale University: ... \$2,000,000 ... Tides Foundation: ... \$300,000 ... Council of Foundations: ... \$100,000 ... American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research: ... \$275,000 ... American National Red Cross: ... \$2,000,000 ... Hoover Institute: \$200,000. Carnegie Institution of Washington: \$150,000 ... International Rescue Committee: \$100,000 ... George C. Marshall Foundation: ... \$300,000 ... SETI Institute. Mountain View, California. Four-year support for Project Phoenix. \$5,000,000. ... UN 50 Committee: ... \$100,000 ... University of Arizona: ... \$400,000 ... University of California, Berkeley: ... \$2,000,000 ... Food Bank for Monterey County: ... \$10,000 ... Ohio State University: ... \$50,000 ... "

- ▶ 1997 grants list, Packard Foundation: "CONSERVATION: ... Big Sur Land Trust: ... \$2,400,000 [and] \$300,000 [and] \$10,000 ... Save the Redwoods League: ... \$20,000,000 [and] \$300,000 [and] \$50,000 ... Friends of the River Foundation: ... \$300,000 [and] \$200,000 ... Nature Conservancy: ... \$100,000 ... Wilderness Society: ... \$200,000 [and] \$200,000 ... Nature Conservancy: ... \$150,000 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$174,645 [and] \$98,000 [and] \$15,690 ... University of Hawaii at Manoa: ... \$310,000 ... Foundation for National Progress: ... For plans to increase public understanding and media attention on the status of the world's coral reefs. \$30,000 ... New York Zoological Society: ... \$284,000 ... Earth Island Institute: ... \$150,000 ... National Public Radio: ... \$200,000 ... World Media Foundation: ... For two years for the Changing Oceans project entitled Living on Earth to be broadcast on National Public Radio. \$200,000... Nature Conservancy: ... \$3,000,000 ... University of California, Santa Cruz Foundation: ... \$309,757 ... SCIENCE: ... San Jose State University Foundation: ... \$3,200,000. - Stanford University: ... \$240,000 ... Stanford University: ... \$10,000,000 ... [various \$50,000 donations to community colleges]..."
- ▶ 2000 grants list, Packard Foundation: "CONSERVATION: ... Earth Island Institute: ... \$150,000 ... Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund: ... \$49,700 ... Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund: ... \$329,877 ... Energy Foundation: \$13,000,000 for the China and U.S. Clean Energy Programs. ... Environmental Defense: \$350,000 ... Environmental Defense: \$1,500,000 [and an additional] \$2,000,000 for the MyWorld Internet Project... Greenpeace Fund: \$450,000 for the Global Pirate Fishing Project. - H. John

Heinz III Center for Science, Economics and the Environment: \$250,000 ... Harvard University: \$250,000 for the Energy Technology Policy for a Greenhouse-Gas-Constrained World Project ... National Wildlife Federation: \$125,000... Nature Conservancy: \$5,750,000 [plus] \$272,000 [plus] \$1,350,000 [plus] \$100,000 [plus] \$560,000 [plus] \$2,111,199 [plus] \$50,000 [plus] \$1,500,000 ... Population Action International: \$50,000 ... Princeton University: \$200,000 ... Save the Redwoods League: \$825,000 ... Sierra Business Council: \$5,000,000 [and] \$1,800,000 ... Stanford University: \$50,000 [and] \$260,000 [and] \$10,000 ... Tides Center: \$50,000 [plus] \$200,000 [plus] \$250,000... Tides Foundation: \$50,000 ... Tides Foundation of Canada: \$640,000 ... University of California, Berkeley: \$100,000 [and] \$34,500 ... University of California, Davis: \$300,000 [and] \$199,559 ... University of California, Santa Barbara: \$263,617 ... University of California, Santa Cruz: \$414,000 ... University of Hawaii at Hilo: \$48,116 ... University of Hawaii at Manoa: \$50,000 ... University of Hawaii at Manoa: \$397,771 ... University of Minnesota: \$49,708 ... University of New Hampshire: \$502,835 ... University of Rhode Island: \$20,000 ... University of Rhode Island Foundation: \$34,000 ... University of South Florida Research Foundation: \$217,000 ... University of the South Pacific: \$292,000 ... University of Washington: \$643,491 ... WildAid: \$100,000 ... Wilderness Society: \$150,000 ... Wildlife Conservation Society: \$750,000 ... Wildlife Conservation Society: \$49,500 ... World Media Foundation: \$200,000 for the environmental radio program Living on Earth [on NPR] ... World Resources Institute: \$375,000 [and] \$47,660 [and] \$2,400,000 ... World Wide Fund for Nature: \$500,000 [and] \$45,000 ... World Wide Fund for Nature Indonesia: \$524,660 ... World Wildlife Fund: \$376,000 [and] \$50,000 [and] \$500,000 [and] \$200,000 [and] \$6,000,000 for the Russell E. Train Education for Nature Program [and] \$655,000 ... World Wildlife Fund Canada: \$200,000 to establish marine protected areas in British Columbia [and] \$43,800 for marine protected area work in British Columbia..."

- 2001 annual report, Packard Foundation: "CONSERVATION: ... Big Sur Land Trust: ... \$346,000 ... Nature Conservancy ... \$4,000,000 ... Environmental Defense: ... \$225,000 ... Nature Conservancy: ... \$1,000,000 ... Sierra Legal Defence Fund Society ... \$120,000 ... Tides Center: ... \$500,000 ... Tides Foundation: ... \$990,908 ... Wilderness Society: ... \$100,000 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$300,000. - World

*Wildlife Fund Canda: ... \$100,000... Nature Conservancy: ... \$817,400 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$800,000 ... Nature Conservancy: ... \$50,000 ... Tides Center: ... \$415,000 ... University of California, Santa Barbara: ... \$297,225 ... University of Rhode Island Foundation: ... \$240,000 ... Wildlife Conservation Society: ... \$405,000 ... World Resources Institute: ... \$233,297 ... Environmental Defense: ... \$2,000,000 ... Natural Resources Defense Council: ... \$350,000... Nature Conservancy: ... \$50,000 ... Stanford University: ... \$50,000 ... Tides Center: ... \$150,000 ... United Nations Environment Programme: ... \$50,000 ... University of Minnesota: ... \$145,000 ... WildAid: ... \$250,000 ... Wildlife Conservation Society: ... \$20,000 ... World Wide Fund for Nature [WWF] Australia: ... \$162,582 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$1,000,000 ... Energy Foundation: ... \$7,034,800 ... Aspen Institute: ... \$100,000 ... Colorada Conservation Trust: ... \$250,000 ... Nature Conservancy: ... \$250,000 ... Stanford University: ... \$61,684 ... University of California, Santa Barbara: ... \$250,000 ... Wildlife Conservation Society: ... \$499,800 ... Center for Resource Economics: ... \$80,000 ... Conservation Earth: ... \$100,000 ... Earth Share: ... \$375,000 ... Institute for Journalism & Natural Resources: ... \$250,000 ... Land Trust Alliance: ... \$500,000 ... MBA-Nonprofit Connection: ... \$50,000 ... Oregon State University: ... \$63,388 ... Rockefeller Family Fund: ... \$100,000 ... Stanford University: ... \$675,000 ... University of California, Davis ... \$2,600,000 ... Wildlife Conservation Society: ... \$50,000 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$50,000 ... Earth Action Network: ... \$150,000 ... Population Action International: ... \$500,000 ... University of Michigan: ... \$60,000 ... University of Rhode island Foundation: ... \$18,000 ... Worldwatch Institute: ... \$500,000 ...*

*POPULATION: ... Brown University: ... \$475,000 [for programs in Ethiopia] ... California Planned Parenthood Education Fund: ... \$200,000 ... International Planned Parenthood Federation: ... \$1,000,000 ... Johns Hopkins University: ... \$125,000 [for] family planning services in India... National Abortion Federation: ... \$4,000,000 ... Near East Foundation: ... \$225,000 [for] displaced populations in New Dar El-Salaam El-Rabwa, Kartoum, Sudan... Pathfinder International: ... \$3,500,000 ... Planned Parenthood of New York City: ... \$50,000 ... Planned Parenthood Federation of American (PPFA): ... \$1,500,000 ... Population Action International: ... \$200,000 ... Population Council: ... \$310,000 ... Population Services International: ... \$3,000,000 ... Public Health Institute: ... \$2,000,000 ... RAND Corporation: ... \$50,000*

... Rotary Club of Bombay: ... \$27,000 ... United Nations Foundation: ... \$500,000 [and] \$300,000... Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation: ... \$600,000 ... International Planned Parenthood federation: ... \$800,000 ... Universidad de Guadalajara: ... \$500,000 ... University of California ... \$50,000 ... Columbia University: ... \$150,000 ... Planned Parenthood Federation of America: ... \$2,000,000 ... Planned Parenthood federation of Korea: ... \$250,000 ... Planned Parenthood of Western Washington: ... \$215,000 ... Population Action International: ... \$1,000,000 ... Population Concern: ... \$250,000 ... Population Reference Bureau: ... \$400,000 ... World Population Foundation: ... \$360,000 ... American Civil Liberties Union Foundation: ... \$1,600,000... Catholics for a Free Choice: ... \$1,000,000 ... National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League Foundation: ... \$7,555,000 ... Planned Parenthood Federation of America: ... \$1,000,000 ... Population Council: ... \$1,200,000 ... "

## Park Foundation

- July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, "The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA": *"As depicted in the chart below, there are roughly a dozen prominent private foundations created by the Billionaire's Club that have huge sums of money at their disposal to spend on environmental causes. Among this list, the Committee focused on several extremely active private foundations, including the Rockefeller Brothers Fund [13], the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [14], the David and Lucile Packard Foundation [15], the Schmidt Family Foundation [16], the Sea Change Foundation [17], the Park Foundation [18], and the Marisla Foundation.[19] ... For example, both the Park Foundation and the Schmidt Family Foundation have financed questionable scientists to produce anti-fracking research, which the Huffington Post, Mother Jones, and Climate Desk – all grant recipients themselves – eagerly report on. ... Examples of prescriptive grantmaking by some of the Billionaire's Club private foundations include a \$50,000 grant from the Park Foundation to [Ralph Nader's] New York Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) for continuation of its widespread public education campaign on the issue of gas drilling in New York;" [23] ... In New York and Colorado, a pseudo grassroots effort to attack hydraulic fracturing has germinated from*



massive amounts of funding by the NY-based Park Foundation, as well as CA-based Schmidt Family Foundation and Tides Foundation. ... Jay Halfon is another pivotal player that has emerged in the environmental movement through his connections in New York. Halfon is currently on the Board of Directors for the Park Foundation, Earthworks, [Sustainable Markets Foundation](#) (SMF), and [350.org](#). [127] Interestingly, Halfon does not even list his affiliation to SMF on his [350.org](#) biography; yet [Park Foundation](#) heavily funds SMF and SMF is a fiscal sponsor" of [350.org](#). [128] ... Previously, Halfon served as Executive Director of Donald Ross's NY-PIRG. "

- ▶ Has financed the [Center for Media and Democracy](#) (Sourcewatch), Robert Parry's [Consortium News](#), [Pacifica Radio](#), [Democracy Now!](#), [Truthout](#), [In These Times](#) magazine, [The Nation](#), the [Foundation for National Progress](#) / [Mother Jones](#), [PBS Newshour](#), [NPR](#), [The American Prospect](#), [Yes!](#) magazine, the [Institute for Policy Studies](#), [Common Dreams](#), the [International Forum on Globalization](#) and other groups.
- ▶ [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](#) (media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): "

**2015: ...**

- [Institute for Public Affairs](#). Chicago, IL. General operating support for [In These Times](#) magazine. \$15,000. [www.inthesetimes.com](#).
- [Lost Light Projects, Inc.](#) Brooklyn, NY. General Operating Support for [InsideClimate News](#). \$25,000. [www.insideclimatenews.org](#).
- [MapLight](#). Berkeley, CA. Tracking Money and Influence in U.S. Congress. \$15,000. [www.maplight.org](#). ...
- [Foundation for National Progress](#). San Francisco, CA. [Mother Jones'](#) reporting on Dark Money and Climate Desk reporting. \$100,000. [www.climatedesk.org](#). ...
- [Center for Public Integrity](#). Washington, NY. General operating support. \$250,000. [www.publicintegrity.org](#).
- [Democracy Now!](#) Productions, Inc. New York, NY. General operating support \$25,000. [www.democracynow.org](#). ...
- [Nation Institute](#). New York, NY. The Investigative Fund \$15,000. [www.nationinstitute.org](#).

**2014:**

- [Center for Media and Democracy](#). Madison, WI. Investigative work on fracking and its impact on water. \$50,000. [www.prwatch.org](#).
- [Consortium for Independent Journalism, Inc.](#) Arlington, VA. General operating support. \$10,000. [www.consortiumnews.com](#).
- [Foundation for National Progress](#). San Francisco, CA. General operating support. \$15,000. [www.motherjones.com](#).
- [Greater Washington Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc.](#) Arlington, VA. General operating support of

*PBS NewsHour*. \$200,000. [www.weta.org](http://www.weta.org). ...

- Center for Public Integrity Washington, DC General operating support \$250,000 [www.publicintegrity.org](http://www.publicintegrity.org). ...

- *Foundation for National Progress*. San Francisco, CA. The Climate Desk and *Mother Jones'* Dark Money Reporting. \$100,000. [www.climatedesk.org](http://www.climatedesk.org). ...

- *Democracy Now!* Productions, Inc. New York, NY. General operating support. \$25,000. [www.democracynow.org](http://www.democracynow.org). ...

- Independent Production Fund. New York, NY. Moyers & Company. \$500,000. [www.IPFmedia.org](http://www.IPFmedia.org).

- *Nation Institute*. New York, NY. The Investigative Fund to facilitate the development and publication of socially significant investigative reporting. \$10,000. [www.nationinstitute.org](http://www.nationinstitute.org).

- *Truthout* Sacramento, CA. General operating support. \$15,000. [www.truth-out.org](http://www.truth-out.org).

**2013:**

"- Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Fracking and our Environment \$50,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org) ...

- *Democracy Now!* Productions, Inc. New York, NY Democracy Now!'s live on-the-ground coverage of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Warsaw, Poland \$30,000 [www.democracynow.org](http://www.democracynow.org) ...

- *Foundation for National Progress* San Francisco, CA General operating support \$20,000 [www.motherjones.com](http://www.motherjones.com).

- Fund for Investigative Journalism Washington, DC Grants for Investigative Reporters \$50,000 [www.fij.org](http://www.fij.org) ...

- *Positive Futures Network* Bainbridge Island, WA The Path to a New Economy \$15,000 [www.yesmagazine.org](http://www.yesmagazine.org).

- *The American Prospect* Washington, DC The Shale Rebellion, A Multi-Media Presentation \$15,000.

- *Institute for Policy Studies* Washington, DC Support for OtherWords editorial service \$15,000 [www.ips-dc.org](http://www.ips-dc.org) ...

- Center for Public Integrity Washington, DC General operating support \$250,000 ...

- *Common Dreams*, Inc. Portland, ME General operating support \$15,000 ...

- *Foundation for National Progress* San Francisco, CA The Climate Desk and *Mother Jones'* Dark Money Reporting \$100,000 ...

- *Institute for Public Affairs* Chicago, IL General operating support for In These Times Magazine \$15,000 [www.inthesetimes.com](http://www.inthesetimes.com) ...

- *Democracy Now!* Productions, Inc. New York, NY Democracy Now! Productions \$25,000 ...

- *International Forum on Globalization* San Francisco, CA Plutonomy Program \$10,000 [www.ifg.org](http://www.ifg.org).

- *Nation Institute* New York, NY The Investigative Fund \$10,000 ...

- Truthout Sacramento, CA General operating support \$15,000...

**2012:**

"- Foundation for National Progress San Francisco, CA General operating support \$30,000 [www.motherjones.com](http://www.motherjones.com)...

- Positive Futures Network Bainbridge Island, WA The Path to a New Economy \$15,000 [www.yesmagazine.org](http://www.yesmagazine.org)...

- Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Fracking and Water Project \$50,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org). Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Corporate Research Project on the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) \$5,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org).

- Common Dreams, Inc. Portland, ME General operating support \$15,000 ...

- Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY To expand the live, on-the-ground news coverage during the 2012 Election Cycle and 100-city Community Media Tour \$5,000...

- Fund for Investigative Journalism Washington, DC Investigative reporting grants to journalists for 12 groundbreaking stories in the US on critical issues not reported in the mainstream media \$75,000 [www.fij.org](http://www.fij.org).

- Institute for Policy Studies Washington, DC Expand the reach of OtherWords editorial service as it ramps up its new Economic Hardship Reporting Project \$15,000...

MapLight Berkeley, CA Tracking money and influence in the US Congress \$15,000 [maplight.org](http://maplight.org) "

## Pew Charitable Trusts

- ▶ A set of foundations/trusts based on the Sun Oil Company fortune of Joseph Pew.
- ▶ [activistfacts.com/foundation/153-PewCharitableTrusts/](http://activistfacts.com/foundation/153-PewCharitableTrusts/) (accessed: February 29, 2016): *"The Pew Charitable Trusts (seven individual trusts in all) were endowed with various inheritances of the four children of Joseph N. Pew, who founded the Sun Oil Company. ... Donations: ... Environmental Working Group \$1,895,000 1997. [Friends of the Earth](#) \$555,000 2002. ... [Natural Resources Defense Council](#) \$12,661,000 2000. ... [Sierra Club](#) \$4,315,000 2002. ... [Tides Foundation](#) & Tides Center \$140,465,400 2005..."*
- ▶ [pewtrusts.org/en/about/leadership](http://pewtrusts.org/en/about/leadership) (accessed: January 1, 2017): *"The Board of Directors: ... - James S. Pew. - J. Howard Pew II. - J.N. Pew IV, M.D. - Mary Catharine Pew, M.D. - R. Anderson Pew. - Sandy Ford Pew. - Rebecca W. Rimel. - Doris Pew Scott. ... Government Relations: Tamera Luzzatto, Senior Vice President..."*
- ▶ [pewtrusts.org/en/about/leadership/tamera-luzzatto](http://pewtrusts.org/en/about/leadership/tamera-luzzatto) (accessed: January 1, 2017): *"Tamera Luzzatto leads*

*government relations at The Pew Charitable Trusts. ... Luzzatto served as then-Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton's chief of staff from 2001 to 2009. Prior to her service with Senator Clinton, Luzzatto was on the staff of West Virginia Senator John D. Rockefeller IV for nearly 15 years, serving as legislative director and chief of staff. She was Senator Rockefeller's primary liaison to two major advisory panels which he chaired, the National Commission on Children and the Pepper Commission on Health Care. Luzzatto began her career working for ACTION, the federal umbrella agency at the time for the Peace Corps and other volunteer and national service programs.*

*She also serves on the Johns Hopkins Neurosurgery Advisory Committee and the personnel committee of the Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church. She graduated from Harvard University, magna cum laude, with a degree in government."*

## Ploughshares Fund

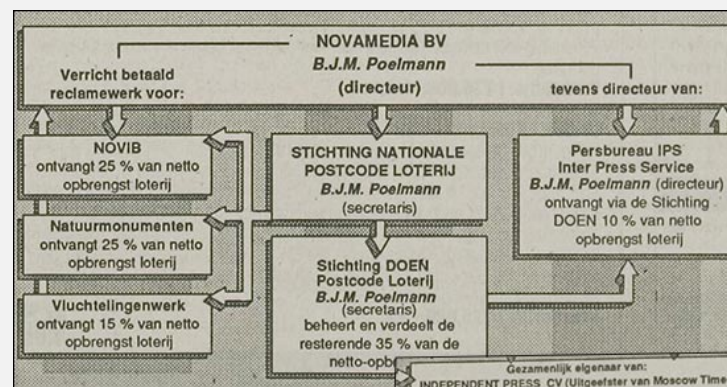
- ▶ The Ploughshares Fund is focused on global nuclear disarmament and in 2016 maintained net assets of 40 million.
- ▶ Founding Trilateral Commission member William M. Roth, who married the daughter of conservationist Pilgrims Society member Henry Fairfield Osborn Jr., was among the founders of Ploughshares:
  - ▶ June 14, 2014, New York Times, 'William M. Roth, Shipping Heir Who Became Lifelong Public Servant, Dies at 97': *"Mr. Roth also helped found the Ploughshares Fund..."*
  - ▶ [ploughshares.org/issues-analysis/article/what-william-shared-sally](http://ploughshares.org/issues-analysis/article/what-william-shared-sally) (accessed: March 11, 2022): *"For forty years, William Matson Roth (1917 - 2014) enjoyed dinner parties at the home of his close friend and Ploughshares Fund founder Sally Lilienthal. ... Ploughshares Fund is honored to list Joan Osborn Roth and the late William Matson Roth as members of its Nuclear-Free Legacy Society."*
  - ▶ October 26, 2006, San Francisco Chronicle, 'Sally Lilienthal -- founder of the Ploughshares Fund': *"Together, the Lilienthals founded the Northern California Committee of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, and in 1971..."*
- ▶ Ploughshares is financed by a variety of elite foundations:
  - ▶ Annual report 2015, Ploughshares: *"Donors: ... Council of Ambassadors, Gifts of \$100,000 or More: ... [Carnegie Corporation](#) ... [Hewlett Foundation](#) ... [MacArthur Foundation](#) ... [Open Society Foundations](#). Open Society Policy Center. [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#). ... [Skoll Global](#)*

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*GIFTS OF \$25,000 - \$99,000: craigslist Charitable Fund ... Ruth duPont Lord Charitable Trust ... Council Envoys, Gifts of \$5,000 - \$9,999: ... [Stewart R. Mott Charitable Trust](#)..."*

- ▶ Controversially donated millions towards the promotion and maintenance of Obama's nuclear deal with Iran.
- ▶ Apart from elite NGOs as the Atlantic Council, the Center for American Progress, the Brookings Institution, CSIS and the CFR, Ploughshares has financed the Federation of American Scientists, [Moveon.org](#), the Public Affairs Alliance of American Iranians (one of many initiatives to sell the nuclear deal with Iran), J Street, Nuclear Watch of New Mexico, [NPR](#), and [Public Radio International](#), [National Resources Defense Council](#).
- ▶ May 20, 2016, Brietbart, 'Soros-Backed Group that Helped Sell Iran Nuclear Deal Funds Media, DC Think Tanks': *"Ploughshares has partnered with a who's who of the radical left, including Code Pink, the pro-Palestinian J Street, United for Peace & Justice, the U.S. Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation and Demo, a progressive economic advisory group where President Obama's controversial former green jobs czar, Van Jones, has served on the board."*

### Postcode Loterij / Doen Foundation (Netherlands)



- ▶ Huge Dutch National Postal Code Lottery (Postcode Loterij) was set up in 1989. It's the number two lottery in the Netherlands, behind the Staatsloterij/State Lottery.
- ▶ The Doen Foundation was founded in 1991 as an extension of the Postcode Lottery and has been its largest recipient over the decades:
  - ▶ [postcodeloterij.nl/goede-doelen/overzicht/stichting-doen](http://postcodeloterij.nl/goede-doelen/overzicht/stichting-doen) (accessed: December 28, 2019): *"Supported since: 1991. Total received: €676.3 million. ... In 1991 the Doen Foundation was financed by the National Postal Code Lottery and received as assignment to operate as an extension of the lottery to support the smaller and newer*

*organization in the area of humans and nature."*

- ▶ The Doen Foundation very much is a Rockefeller-type "new left" / "liberal CIA" foundation: very pro-environment, but also extremely open borders:
  - ▶ cbf.nl/organisatie/doen (accessed: December 28, 2019; CBF: Dutch charity supervisor): *"This is what we want to solve: Climate change, predatory exploitation on the planet and the loss of biodiversity, market forces extremism and over-commercialization, increasing fear and insecurity with [white] people, with populism, xenophobia and the exclusion of minorities as a result. Tough [Third World immigrant] integration and increasing polarization."*
  - ▶ cbf.nl/organisatie/doen (accessed: December 28, 2019): *"Dit willen we oplossen: Klimaatverandering, rooibouw op de planeet en verlies van biodiversiteit. Doorgeslagen marktwerking en vercommercialisering, Toenemende angst en onzekerheid bij mensen, met als gevolg populisme, xenofobie en uitsluiten van minderheden. Moeizame integratie en toename polarisatie."*
- ▶ The Postcode Loterij was founded in 1989 by Boudewijn Poelmann - who worked for Novib from about 1973 until 1983 - and others, including ex-UNESCO-pushing and Novib-founding priest Simon Jelsma (Prince Bernhard was prominently present at the founding of Novib). The specific purpose of the lottery was to raise funds for globalist causes, including nature conservation and "refugee programs":
  - ▶ July 4, 1992, Trouw, 'Leiding gaat niet in op geruchten over Postcode-loterij': *"De loterij is een bedenksel van B. Poelmann en de H. de Jong. Zij runnen het reclamebureau Novamedia in Amsterdam en "broedden op een manier om legaal eigen geld te drukken" (aldus ex-Novib medewerker Poelmann) voor altoos om bijdragen verlegen organisaties-voor-het-goede-doel. Samen met ex-priester en mede-oprichter van de Novib, S. Jelsma en F. Leeman tillen zij eind '89 de postcode-loterij van de grond. Groots worden de zaken aangepakt. Via Joop van den Ende wordt voor 6 miljoen gulden een jaar wekelijks zendtijd gekocht op RTL... [Today] elke dinsdagavond zitten zeker een miljoen Nederlanders voor de buis om in RTL's Hitbingo te zien... Tweederde van de netto-opbrengst [other sources say 1/3] gaat naar drie vaste begunstigden: Novib, Natuurmonumenten en VluchtelingenWerk Nederland. Deze organisaties doen nog op een andere manier zaken met Novamedia. Zij laten er hun bladen en reclamewerk drukken, leden administreren en besteden donateurswerving aan het bureau uit. De rest van de te vergeven loterijinleg wordt verdeeld*

*door de stichting DOEN (Duurzame ontwikkeling en natuurbescherming) over tientallen projecten. De bestuursleden daarvan waren tot gisteren dezelfde als die van NPL: de vier oprichters Jelsma, Leeman, Poelmann en De Jong. Ook het DOEN-bestuur is inmiddels teruggetreden, op voorzitter Jelsma na."*

- ▶ Postcode Loterij founder Boudewijn also was a director of the globalist, Third World-focused [Inter Press Services](#), funded over the decades by the United Nations, western governments, and "liberal CIA" foundations as Soros, Ford, Rockefeller and Mott:
  - ▶ July 22, 1992, NRC, 'Bestuur van Loterij niet blij met ingreep van Kosto': *"Door de tot de loterij behorende stichting DOEN (Duurzame Ontwikkeling En Natuurbescherming) worden jaarlijks miljoenen guldens overgemaakt naar Inter Press Service, het persbureau voor de Derde Wereld, gevestigd op hetzelfde adres als de Postcode Loterij. Tot voor enkele maanden was loterij-oprichter B. Poelmann directeur van IPS."*
  - ▶ July 21, 1990, Reformatorisch Dagblad, "'IPS-correspondent laveert vaak tussen wat hij wil en wat hij durft'; Onvrijheid pers in Derde Wereld groot probleem voor persbureau': *"'Afrika is een ramp", zegt directeur Boudewijn Poelmann van het Amsterdamse kantoor van IPS. ... IPS is begonnen in 1964 omdat Europese media weinig aandacht besteedden aan nieuws uit de Derde Wereld. De eerste jaren werkte IPS in feite alleen in Latijns Amerika, maar in de loop der jaren is dat uitgebreid tot niet minder dan 90 landen nu. Ideële doelstellingen? Poelmann: "Geen andere dan de verspreiding van het vrije woord. Wij hanteren exact dezelfde criteria als andere journalistieke instellingen, maar dan toegespitst op de ontwikkelingen in de Derde Wereld."*
  - ▶ July 18, 1992, NRC, 'Oprichters Postcode Loterij zichtbaar moe en aangeslagen': *"In de vergaderzaal op de eerste verdieping zitten Boudewijn Poelmann en Simon Jelsma, oprichters en ex-bestuursleden van de Stichting Nationale Postcode Loterii... De 73-jarige Jelsma, mede-oprichter van de Novib... de eventuele belangenverstrengeling die hierdoor optreedt. Zo was Poelmann als directeur van Novamedia en secretaris van de Postcode Loterij ook nog tot begin '92 parttime-directeur van internationaal persbureau Inter Press Service."*
- ▶ Leading Postcode Loterij founder Boudewijn Poelmann isn't just a clear globalist elitist through his involvement in Novib from the early 1970s until 1983, his 1983-1992 directorship of [Inter Press Service](#), or his ties to [Independent Media](#). He also



is tied to super-globalist Richard Branson since 2009:

- ▶ [carbonwarroom.com/about-us/who-we-are/founders](http://carbonwarroom.com/about-us/who-we-are/founders) (accessed: March 22, 2012): *"Richard Branson... - Boudewijn Poelmann: Chairman of Dutch Postcode Lottery. ... - Marieke van Schaik: Managing Director of Dutch Postcode Lottery. ... She worked as a project manager in DOEN Foundation before joining the newly set up charity department of the Dutch Charity Lotteries (Nationale Postcode Loterij, BankGiro Loterij, VriendenLoterij) in 2000. ... - Strive Masiyiwa: ... In 2003 he joined the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) Board of Trustees. He also serves on the board of AGRA (Alliance for a Green Revolution in Agriculture), an initiative chaired by former Secretary General of the UN Mr. Kofi Annan. ... - Mark Shuttleworth: Founder of the [Linux] Ubuntu Project..."*
- ▶ February 23, 2019, Algemeen Dagblad, 'Lottery boss delegated money to Feyenoord': *"The inventor and top boss of the Postcode Lottery, Boudewijn Poelmann ... is a co-owner of Feyenoord [soccer club]. ... Poelmann put pressure on the Doen Foundation, the largest receiver of the lottery's millions, to put forth her daughter company Qurrent as the shirt sponsor of the Rotterdam soccer club. The green-energy company was making losses, but still was able to become sponsor by a grant deal of Doen for 5.75 million euros per year, from 2017 until 2021."*
- ▶ The Postcode Loterij and the Doen Foundation have financed a number of projects that greatly affected Dutch society - and in ways that people are not aware of:
  - ▶ The support of Third World immigration would be one of them.
  - ▶ The Doen Foundation financed Volkert van de Graaf's NGO Mileu Offensief (Environmental Offensive) from 1992 to 1998 to the tune of 150,000 euros. In May 2002 Van der Graaf [assassinated "populist" prime ministerial candidate Pim Fortuyn](#) one week before Fortuyn most likely would have won.
  - ▶ [postcodeloterij.nl/goede-doelen/overzicht/milieudefensie](http://postcodeloterij.nl/goede-doelen/overzicht/milieudefensie) (accessed: December 28, 2019; Dutch branch of historically Rockefeller-, Turner-, Hewlett-, etc.-financed [Friends of the Earth](#)): *"Supported since: 1996. Total received: €35.9 million euros."*
  - ▶ Openly supported and financed the "Climate Case" against a seemingly recalcitrant Dutch government, forcing the government to reduce greenhouse gases:
    - ▶ [urgenda.nl/themas/klimaat-en-energie/klimaatzaak/](http://urgenda.nl/themas/klimaat-en-energie/klimaatzaak/) (accessed: December 28,

2019): "On 24 June 2015 Urgenda, together with 900 fellow-plaintiffs, won the Climate Case against the Dutch state. The judge ordered the State to reduce the expulsion of greenhouse gases in 2020 with 25% compared to 1990. The State appealed this decision. On 9 October the The Hague court reinforced this decision of the judge. The State went into cassation. The ruling on this is set for December 20, 2019.

- ▶ December 19, 2019, [urgenda.nl](http://urgenda.nl), 'Historie is geschreven: de Urgenda-Klimaatzaak': "Urgenda wins the Climate Case after 7 years. ... Big tanks to lawyer Koos van den Berg... Also thanks to Freerk Vermeulen en his team at Nautah Dutilh which assisted Urgenda in the cassation procedure, which has let to this victory."
- ▶ [urgenda.nl/over-urgenda/partners/](http://urgenda.nl/over-urgenda/partners/) (accessed: October 15, 2012): "Partners: Urgenda works together with and his supported by the following strategic partners: Alliander. Eneco. Ernst & Young ... Tauw ... Nationale Postcode Loterij. ASN Bank."
- ▶ 2016 annual report, Urgenda, p. 22: "Sinds February 2014 Urgenda has been a benefactor of the Postcode Loterij. We are very grateful with the contribution of the Postcode Loterij, because it can be used for cases where funding is very difficult to receive for."
- ▶ [postcodeloterij.nl/goede-doelen/overzicht](http://postcodeloterij.nl/goede-doelen/overzicht): "[Clinton Foundation](#) ... [Artsen Zonder Grenzen](#) [[Doctors Without Borders](#), chaired by David Rockefeller's son, Richard] ... [Carbon War Room](#) [founded in 2009 by globalist billionaire Richard Branson] ... [Amnesty International](#) ... [European Climate Foundation](#) ... [Free Press Unlimited](#) ... [[Jonathan Soros](#)] [Global Witness](#) ... [Greenpeace](#) ... [Oxfam Novib](#) ... [Prince Bernhard, Rothschild, 1001 Club, etc.-tied] [Peace Parks Foundation](#) ... [WWF](#) ... [Stichting AAP](#). ... [African Parks Network](#). ... [AIDSfonds](#) ... [Amref Flying Doctors](#) ... [CARE Nederland](#) ... [Cordaid](#) ... [Dierenbescherming](#) ... [Girls Not Brdies](#) ... [Hivos](#) ... [Human Rights Watch](#) ... [ICCO](#) ... [Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation](#) ... [Milieudefense](#) ... [Oranjefonds](#) ... [Plan International](#) ... [Prins Claus Fonds](#) ... [Rode Kruis](#) ... [Save the Children](#) ... [Sea Shepherd](#) ... [Stichting Kinderpostzegels Nederland](#) ... [Stichting Vluchteling](#) ... [Stichting voor Vluchteling-Studenten UAF](#) ... [VluchtelingenWerk Nederland](#) ... [The Climate Group](#) ... [The Elders](#) [very elite] ... [The Sentry](#) [part of the Enough Project, set up Soros, a Clinton National Security Council agent, and top Hollywood actors] ... [UNHCR](#) ... [UNICEF](#) ... [Urgenda](#) ... [Voedselbanken Nederland](#) ... [Wakker Dier](#) ... [War Child](#) ... [Women Inc.](#) ... [World Press Photo](#) ..."

## RiverStyx Foundation

- ▶ The RiverStyx Foundation is a small foundation with about \$26 million in assets anno 2015. It helps fund various social programs, including psychedelic research and marijuana legalization.
- ▶ Examples of projects:
  - ▶ RiverStyx Foundation:  
grantmakers.io/profiles/v0/943373712-riverstyx-foundation/ (accessed: October 12, 2017): "*Heffter Research Institute (2015): ... \$ 217,000... (MAPS) 2015: ... \$190,000... Drug Policy Alliance (2015): ... \$150,000... San Francisco Foundation (2015): ... \$75,000...*"
  - ▶ maps.org/news-letters/v24n3/v24n3\_p3-13.pdf (accessed: February 8, 2016): "*Rockefeller \$1,000,000. David Bronner \$154,500. Anton Bilton \$105,000. The Libra Foundation. \$90,000. Riverstyx Foundation. \$86,000.*"
  - ▶ 2014 annual report, [Drug Policy Alliance](#) (George Soros): "*Foundation support: Hugh M. Hefner Foundation... Open Society Foundations... Riverstyx Foundation...*"
  - ▶ campuselect.org/donate-now.html (accessed: February 8, 2016): "*We've raised \$255,000, from donors including Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Bernard and Audre Rapoport Foundation, George Gund Foundation, Youth Engagement Fund, Mayerson Foundation, Puffin Foundation, Rockefeller Philanthropies, Whitman Institute, the Riverstyx Foundation...*"
  - ▶ foundation.wsu.edu/organizations/ (Washington State University Foundation) (accessed: February 8, 2016): "*Raytheon Company ... RiverStyx Foundation ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund...*"
  - ▶ 2011 annual report, Pathfinder International, pp. 11, 13: Riverstyx Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation listed as program sponsors. The Tides Foundation is another important sponsor.
  - ▶ October 1, 2012, Seattle PI, 'A \$4 million marijuana campaign war chest': "*The campaign war chest for Initiative 502, which would legalize marijuana, swelled by more than \$1 million on Monday with new donations from an Ohio insurance magnate and two executives of the Kirkland-based Riverstyx Foundation. Peter Lewis, chairman of Progressive Insurance, donated \$670,000 and \$32,000 — bringing his total donations to \$1.555 million.*"

## Robin Hood Foundation

- ▶ New York City-based foundation, founded in 1988 by

billionaire hedge fund manager Paul Tudor Jones, who in 2007 hosted an Obama fund raiser with George Soros. Primarily financed by banks, but George Soros provided the foundation with \$50 million in 2009. Over the decades the board has been dominated by visitors of the [Sun Valley Meetings](#). Even the notorious Harvey Weinstein sat on the board since the turn of the century.

► Officers over the years:

- May 9, 1991, New York Times, 'Nowadays, Robin Hood Gets the Rich to Give to the Poor': *"Paul Tudor Jones 2d ... put up \$3 million to begin Robin Hood in 1987. ... The board of the Robin Hood Foundation includes Mary McCormick, president of the Fund for the City of New York, and Marian Wright Edelman, president of the Children's Defense Fund. John F. Kennedy Jr. Jann Wenner, the publisher of [Rolling Stone](#) and a board member, has a wide network in the entertainment world, and has given Robin Hood access to fund-raising prospects."*
- [robinhood.org/BoardStaff.html](http://robinhood.org/BoardStaff.html) (accessed: November 20, 2000): *"Paul Tudor Jones II, Founder ... Peter D. Kiernan III, Chair: Managing Director, Goldman Sachs ... [former Soros Quantum Fund lead investor] Stanley Druckenmiller, Vice Chair ... John F. Kennedy, Jr. (1991-99): George Magazine ... Marie-Josée Drouin Kravis ... Diane Sawyer: Co-Host, Good Morning America and 20/20. ... John Sykes: President, VH1 ... Harvey Weinstein: Co-Chairman, Miramax Films..."*
- [robinhood.org/BoardStaff.html](http://robinhood.org/BoardStaff.html) (accessed: August 3, 2001): *"Paul Tudor Jones II ... Stanley Druckenmiller, Chairman ... Marie-Josée Kravis, Vice Chair ... Ted Forstmann [Lynn Forester de Rothschild, Rumsfeld, Shultz, etc. involved in his companies] ... Gwyneth Paltrow ... Lachlan Murdoch ... Diane Sawyer ... John Sykes ... Harvey Weinstein..."*
- October 2005, issue 8, Robin Hood Foundation bulletin, pp. 9, 11: *"Robin Hood recognizes the generous annual support (\$250,000 or more) of the corporate members of our leadership partners: Bank of America. Bear, Stearns ... Credit Suisse First Boston. Deutsche Bank. General Electric. ... Goldman Sachs ... Lehman Brothers ... Morgan Stanley ... Pfizer ... UBS...  
Board of Directors: ... Tom Brokaw ... Jeffrey R. Immelt ... Paul Tudor Jones ... Marie-Josée Kravis ... Lachlan Murdoch ... Gwyneth Paltrow ... Diane Sawyer ... John Sykes. Harvey Weinstein."*
- [robinhood.org/governance](http://robinhood.org/governance) (accessed: April 13, 2014): *"Jacklyn Bezos ... Jeffrey R. Immelt ... Paul Tudor Jones II ... John Sykes ... Harvey Weinstein ... Jeff Zucker [since at*

least 2010]..."

- ▶ 2015 annual report, Robin Hood Foundation, p. 1: *"Veterans Advisory Board: Stephen A. Cohen, Co-Chair. Admiral Michael Mullen. ... Tom Brokaw ... Jon Stewart [since at least 2013]. Bob Woodruff..."*
- ▶ robinhood.org/about-us/governance/ (September 21, 2017): *"Harvey Weinstein [etc.] ... Emeritus Board: ... Jeff Zucker [etc.]"*
- ▶ robinhood.org/about-us/governance/ (accessed: March 21, 2018): *"Paul Tudor Jones II ... Jacklyn Bezos ... Emma Bloomberg [oldest daughter of Michael Bloomberg] ... Jeffrey R. Immelt ... John King Jr., Former Secretary of Education under President Obama ... Emeritus Board: [Harvey Weinstein not listed] Prize Advisory Board: Paul Tudor Jones II, Chair ... Jacklyn Bezos ... Casey & Laura Wasserman..."*
- ▶ Financing and Soros-Tudor Jones-Weinstein-Jon Stewart ties:
  - ▶ October 2005, issue 8, Robin Hood Foundation bulletin, pp. 9, 11: *"Robin Hood recognizes the generous annual support (\$250,000 or more) of the corporate members of our leadership partners: Bank of America. Bear, Stearns ... Credit Suisse First Boston. Deutsche Bank. General Electric. ... Goldman Sachs ... Lehman Brothers ... Morgan Stanley ... Pfizer ... UBS..."*
  - ▶ May 13, 2009, Gawker.com, 'The Show Goes On For the Robin Hood Foundation': *"The Robin Hood Foundation's spring fundraiser took place last night at the Jacob Javitz Convention Center and some 3,200 people turned up to munch on grilled shrimp... Robin Hood remains the charity of choice for a big bunch of Wall Street chiefs and hedge fund titans... Jon Stewart managed to keep the crowd laughing with Bernie Madoff jokes, and George Soros gave the evening a big boost by making a \$50 million pledge. ... The attendees were divided into 3 sections to raise money. Section 1 was led by Anne Hathaway and she was joined by Harvey Weinstein and Fergie from the Black Eyed Peas (who also sang)... Oprah sat at the same table as George Soros and Christiane Amanpour. ... Brian Williams and Robert Kennedy were part of Team 3. Jon Stewart was a riot as usual. He spent a lot of time poking fun at the hedge funders..."*
  - ▶ May 12, 2009, opensocietyfoundations.org, 'George Soros Announces \$50 Million Matching Grant to Fight Poverty in New York': *"The Open Society Institute has pledged \$50 million to the Robin Hood Foundation... Over the past 15 years Soros and the Open Society Institute have supported Robin Hood."*
  - ▶ Summer 2013, city-journal.org, 'Philanthropy by the

Numbers': *"We run our shops differently, though we respect one another's efforts," Weinstein observes of Soros (who is himself a donor to Robin Hood)."*

- ▶ January 2, 2008, Fox News, 'Stars Party: A-List Celebs Are Yachting Types': *"Dec. 30. The location was Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen's Octopus... Harvey Weinstein and bride [and] financier George Soros [were present]..."*
- ▶ July 26, 2011, Stamford Advocate.com, 'Hedge funders grouse over Obama speech': *"Barack Obama at the home of Paul Tudor Jones II in Belle Haven, on May 19, 2007. ... Paul Tudor Jones II and George Soros opened their Rolodexes for him at a star-studded fundraiser in Greenwich..."*

### David Rockefeller Fund

- ▶ Set up by David Rockefeller and wife Peggy in 1989. Psychedelics researcher, Dr. Richard Rockefeller, David's son, used to sit on the board. Today David Rockefeller, Jr. does. Executive director is Lukas Haynes:
- ▶ Causes:
  - ▶ [drfund.org/programs/environment/](https://drfund.org/programs/environment/) (accessed: April 19, 2020): *"George Mason University Foundation (for republicEn) ["engaging conservatives" and "free enterprise solutions to climate change"] ... \$50,000 [and] \$40,000. ... Jackson Hole Center for Global Affairs... \$40,000. ... Environmental and Energy Study Institute... \$25,000. ... Tides Foundation (for YEARS Project)... \$25,000. ... Truman National Security Project ... \$50,000 [and] \$50,000 [and] \$25,000. ... GreenFaith (for People's Climate Movement): ... \$40,000. ... Sierra Club Foundation (for Climate Parents): ... \$40,000. ..."*
  - ▶ [drfund.org/programs/environment/](https://drfund.org/programs/environment/) (accessed: April 18, 2020): *"[2018:] Council on Strategic Risks (for Center for Climate & Security), Washington, DC, \$50,000. [2015:] Center for Climate & Security, Washington, DC, \$25,300."*
  - ▶ [drfund.org/programs/arts/](https://drfund.org/programs/arts/) (accessed: April 19, 2020): *"2019: ... Brave New Films... \$25,000. ... Tribeca Film Institute: ... \$25,000. ... 2018: ... Brave New Films... \$25,000. ... Hip Hop Caucus: ... \$20,000. ... Tides Foundation (for YEARS Project): ... \$25,000. ... United Workers Association: ... \$20,000."*

### Rockefeller Brothers Fund

- ▶ Mission anno 2022:
  - ▶ [rbf.org/about/about-us](https://rbf.org/about/about-us) (accessed: March 9, 2022): *"The*

*RBF is committed to becoming an anti-racist and anti-sexist institution. This is central to our mission..."*

- ▶ Founded in 1940 by the "Rockefeller Five", the five sons of John D. Rockefeller, Jr.: John D. Rockefeller III, Nelson, Laurance, Winthrop and David. Their sister Abby Rockefeller Mauze also came to play a role in the foundation.
- ▶ John D. Jr., Nelson and David Rockefeller were members of the [Pilgrims Society](#), with David in particular also have played a very key role in the Council on Foreign Relations for decades on end.
- ▶ Sons and daughters of the "Rockefeller Five" became involved in the board in later decades: David Jr., Richard, Steven, Rodman, Peggy, Neva and Laura Rockefeller. Laurance and David Rockefeller remained involved as advisors even into the post-9/11 world.
- ▶ April 5, 1969, Fresno Bee, 'A New Minority: Rockefeller Pays No Taxes': *"John D. Rockefeller ... the family's chief philanthropist, comments on another peculiarity of being a Rockefeller: "He does not have to pay income taxes because of his large charitable donations, but he voluntarily gives some money away." The head of the country's richest family pays absolutely no income tax unless he feels like it. The secret? The family fortune is hidden behind a battery of non-commercial foundations and over 70 charitable family trusts which insulate the Rockefellers from the ravages of the Internal Revenue."*
- ▶ **Important note:** The fortune of the Rockefeller family is based on the old Standard Oil corporation and later on Chase Manhattan Bank, which David Rockefeller in particular has overseen (executive vice president 1955-1957, vice chairman 1957-1960, president 1960-1969, chair and CEO 1969-1981, continued for decades as a member of the international advisory council with Henry Kissinger, George Shultz and others). The family is somewhat notorious for [cartel agreements](#) with Nazi Germany before and during WWII.
- ▶ **Important note:** Nelson Rockefeller is known for having a high-level presidential advisor and envoy from FDR to Ford, often tasked with approving or overseeing the CIA 's covert operations. Bizarrely, as Gerald Ford's vice president, he was appointed chairman of the the 1975 President's Commission on CIA Activities within the United States. Earlier Ford had been a member of the Warren Commission that helped cover up the death of JFK, along with commission members Allen Dulles and John McCloy, both extremely close to Rockefeller.
- ▶ **Important note:** David Rockefeller is particularly well-known as the leader of the post-World War II globalist movement as chairman of the CFR, key steering committee member of Bilderberg, founder of the Trilateral Commission, a 24-year participant in the U.S.-Russian Dartmouth Conferences and



involvement in dozens of other NGOs. He has also been a long-time member of the [Pilgrims Society](#) and, along with his brother Laurance, of the [1001 Club](#).

- ▶ **Important note:** Laurance Rockefeller has been a [HUGE player in the manufacturing of the Roswell crash, alien abduction movement and the crop circle phenomenon](#). He has also been a huge player in the new religions movement through the [Esalen Institute](#), [Lindisfarne Association](#), [Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research \(PEAR\)](#) and other groups and has also financed psychedelic research and bogus 2012 theories of the McKenna brothers through the [Green Earth Foundation](#) and the [Heffter Research Institute](#).
- ▶ **Important note:** It appears Dr. Richard Rockefeller later financed considerably more legitimate research of MDMA of [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#).
- ▶ **Important note:** Neva Rockefeller Goodwin, a daughter of David Rockefeller, aided Buckminster Fuller in establishing his [Buckminster Fuller Institute](#) in the 1972-1979 period.
- ▶ Historical officers:
  - ▶ 1941 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund:  
*"TRUSTEES: - John D. Rockefeller, 3rd. - Nelson A. Rockefeller. - Laurance S. Rockefeller. - Winthrop Rockefeller. OFFICERS: - John D. Rockefeller, 3rd, President. - Nelson A. Rockefeller, Vice President. - Dana S. Creel, Director. - Arthur Jones, Secretary. - Philip F. Keebler, Treasurer. - Vanderbilt Webb, Counsel."*
  - ▶ 1951 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund:  
*"TRUSTEES: - Detlev W. Bronk. - Wallace K. Harrison. - David Rockefeller. - John D. Rockefeller, 3rd. - Laurance S. Rockefeller. - Nelson A. Rockefeller. - Winthrop Rockefeller. OFFICERS: - John D. Rockefeller, 3rd, President. - Laurance S. Rockefeller, Vice President. - Dana S. Creel, Director. - Robert C. Bates, Secretary. - Philip F. Keebler, Treasurer. - John E. Lockwood, Counsel."*
  - ▶ 1964 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund:  
*"TRUSTEES: - Detlev W. Bronk. - Laura Rockefeller Case. - Wallace K. Harrison. - Abby Rockefeller Mauze. - Abby M. O'Neill. - David Rockefeller. - John D. Rockefeller, 3rd. - Laurance S. Rockefeller. - Martha B. Rockefeller. - Nelson A. Rockefeller. - Winthrop Rockefeller. OFFICERS AND ASSOCIATES: - Laurance S. Rockefeller, President. - David Rockefeller, Vice President. - Dana S. Creel, Director. - Robert C. Bates, Secretary. - John P. Hodgkin, Treasurer. - John E. Lockwood, Counsel. ..."*
  - ▶ 1972 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund:  
*"TRUSTEES: Detlev W. Bronk ... Dana S. Creel ... Gerald M. Edelman ... John W. Gardner ... Jerome H. Holland ... Neva*

*R. Kaiser [daughter of David Rockefeller] ... William McChesney Martin, Jr. ... Abbry R. Mauze ... Abby M. O'Neill ... David Rockefeller ... John D. Rockefeller 3rd ... Laurance S. Rockefeller ... Nelson A. Rockefeller ... Winthrop Rockefeller ... Winthrop P. Rockefeller ...*

*OFFICERS: Laurance S. Rockefeller, Chairman. Room 5600, 30 Rockefeller Plaza. ... David Rockefeller, Vice Chairman. Room 5600, 30 Rockefeller Plaza. ... Dana S. Creel, President. Room 5450, 30 Rockefeller Plaza. ... William M. Dietel, Executive Vice President ... Gene W. Setzer, Vice President ... Robert C. Bates, Vice President & Secretary ... Russell A. Phillips, Jr., Secretary ... David G. Fernald, Treasurer ... Domenica Giacalone, Assistant Treasurer ... Carl E. Siegesmund, Assistant Treasurer ... Edward H. Burdick, Assistant Treasurer ... John E. Lockwood, Counsel."*

- ▶ 1982 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund:  
*"TRUSTEES: Thornton F. Bradshaw ... Laura R. Chasin [Laura Rockefeller Chasin, a daughter of Laurance Rockefeller] ... Mark B. Dayton ... William M. Dietel ... Gerald M. Edelman ... James H. Evans .. Peter C. Goldmark, Jr. ... Nancy Hanks ... Henry Kissinger ... Abby M. O'Neill ... George Putnam ... Blanchette H. Rockefeller ... David Rockefeller ... David Rockefeller, Jr. ... Laurance Rockefeller ... Winthrop P. Rockefeller ... Jeremy P. Waletzky.*

*FINANCE COMMITTEE: George Putnam, Chairman. James H. Evans. Henry H. Fowler. Henry Upham Harris, Jr. Eli Shapiro.*

*OFFICERS: David Rockefeller, Chairman. ... Laurance S. Rockefeller, Vice Chairman. ... Nancy Hanks, Vice Chairman ... Abby M. O'Neill, Vice Chairman ... William M. Dietel, President ... Russell A. Phillips, Jr., Executive Vice President ... Benjamin R. Shute, Jr., Secretary ... David G. Fernald, Treasurer ... Domenica Giacalone, Assistant Treasurer ... Ebba K. Corcoran, Assistant Treasurer ... Richard D. Parsons, Counsel ...*

*CONSULTANTS: Dana S. Creel..."*

- ▶ 1992 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund:  
*"TRUSTEES: Catharine O. Broderick ... Colin G. Campbell ... Laura R. Chasin [daughter of Laurance Rockefeller] ... Jonathan F. Fanton ... Neva R. Goodwin [daughter of David Rockefeller]... T George Harris ... Kenneth Lipper ... William H. Luers ... Jessica Tuchman Mathews ... Abby M. O'Neill ... Richard D. Parsons ... David Rockefeller, Jr. [son of David Rockefeller] ... Richard G. Rockefeller [son of David Rockefeller] ... Rodman C. Rockefeller ... Steven C. Rockefeller [son of Nelson and Mary Rockefeller] ... S. Frederick Starr ... Russell E. Train ...*

*FINANCE COMMITTEE: ... Rodman C. Rockefeller... [James Wolfensohn was chair of the Finance Committee until 1991]...*

*OFFICERS: David Rockefeller, Jr., Chairman ... Abby M. O'Neill, Chairman ... Steven C. Rockefeller, Vice Chairman ... Colin G. Campbell, President ... Russell A. Phillips, Jr., Executive Vice President ... Benjamin R. Shute, Jr., Secretary & Treasurer ..."*

- ▶ 2002 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund:  
*"TRUSTEES: David J. Callard ... Richard Chasin [husband of Laura Rockefeller Chasin, a daughter of Laurance Rockefeller] ... Peggy Dulany [Rockefeller, a daughter of David Rockefeller] ... Jessica P. Einhorn ... Neva R. Goodwin [daughter of David Rockefeller] ... Stephen B. Heintz ... Hunter Lewis ... James E. Moltz ... John Morning ... Robert B. Oxnam ... Joseph A. Pierson ... David Rockefeller, Jr. [a son of David Rockefeller] ... Richard G. Rockefeller [a son of David Rockefeller] ... Steven C. Rockefeller [a son of Nelson Rockefeller] ... Edmond D. Villani ... Frank G. Wisner ... Tadataka Yamada, M.D. ...*  
*ADVISORY TRUSTEES: Jonathan F. Fanton, President, The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation ... William H. Luers, Chairman and President, United Nations Association [of the U.S.] ... Mrs. George D. O'Neill ... Richard D. Parsons ... David Rockefeller ... Laurance S. Rockefeller ...*

*FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Afsaneh M. Beschloss, President and Chief Executive Officer, Carlyle Asset Management Group... Gilbert Butler ... David J. Callard ... Stephen B. Heintz ... James E. Moltz ... Steven C. Rockefeller ... Robert B. Taylor ... Edmond D. Villani, Chair ...*

*OFFICERS: Steven C. Rockefeller, Chair. - Neva R. Goodwin, Vice Chair. ... Stephen B. Heintz, President. - William F. McCalpin, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. - Linda E. Jacobs, Vice President. - Benjamin R. Shute, Jr., Secretary. ..."*

- ▶ 2008 annual review, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, pp. 2-3 (the shorter "annual reviews" introduced in 2006 generally don't list trustees and officers): *"RBF Trustees (pictured from left to right): Nicholas Burns, Anne Bartley, Steven C. Rockefeller, Vali Nasr, Valerie R. Wayne, Neva R. Goodwin, Stephen B. Heintz, Richard G. Rockefeller, John Morning, Miranda M. Kaiser, Joseph A. Pierson, Abby M. O'Neill, James Gustave Speth, Wendy O'Neill Wang, and James E. Moltz. ... Richard G. Rockefeller, Chair [and] Stephen B. Heintz, President."*
- ▶ 2005 annual review, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, p. 25: *"David Rockefeller, one of the RBF's founders and a trustee from 1940*

through 1987, announced he had decided to make a major testamentary gift to the RBF endowment to create the David Rockefeller Global Development Fund. This fund will significantly expand the RBF's capacity to address critical global challenges..."

► 2014 annual review, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, p. 5: *"In June 2014, the Fund was devastated by the death of Dr. Richard Rockefeller [in a plane crash], a former trustee and board chair, and a dear friend. Richard was a leader in his generation of the Rockefeller family, continuing the principled philanthropy of his father, David, and uncles who established the RBF in 1940, while responding to the needs of a profoundly transformed world. In the last years of his life, Richard became deeply engaged in work with leading Chinese philanthropists and was excited about the future of Chinese philanthropy."*

► Historical grants of Rockefeller Brothers Fund:

► 1942 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"- American Aid to France. - American Association for the United Nations. - American Committee on United Europe. ... - American Institute of Pacific Relations. ... - American Red Cross. - American Relief for Italy. ... - Big Brother Movement. ... - Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York ... - Foreign Policy Association ... - International House, New York ... - International Rescue Committee ... - Metropolitan Museum of Art ... - New York Zoological Society ... - Planned Parenthood Federation of America ... - Protestant Council of the City of New York. - Protestant Fund of Greater New York ... - Queen Wilhelmina Fund [Netherlands] ... - Russian War Relief ... - Union Church of Pocantico Hills ... - United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York. - United Negro College Fund ... - United Service to China ... - War Prisoners' Aid Committee..."*

► 1951 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"- American Association for the United Nations ... - American Committee on United Europe ... - American Institute of Pacific Relations. - American-Korean Foundation. - American Museum of Natural History ... - American Red Cross ... - Aspen Institute ... - Association on American Indian Affairs ... - Big Brother Movement ... - Conservation Foundation. - Eugenio Mendozé Foundation. - Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York. - Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies ... - Foreign Policy Association ... - Institute of International Education ... Metropolitan Museum of Art. ... - New York Zoological Society ... - Planned Parenthood Federation of America. - Protestant Council of the City of New York. ..."*

► 1964 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"African-American Institute ... African Wildlife*

*Leadership Foundation ... American Jewish Congress ... American Museum of Natural History ... American National Red Cross ... Asia Society ... Atlantic Council of the United States ... Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York ... Conservation Foundation ... Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York ... Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies ... International House (New York) ... International Rescue Committee ... Jackson Hole Preserve ... Museum of Modern Art ... Planned Parenthood Federation of America ... Population Council ... Protestant Council of the City of New York ... United Nations Association ... "*

► 1972 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants):  
*"African-American Institute ... African Wildlife Leadership Foundation ... American Civil Liberties Union ... American Conservation Association ... American Museum of Natural History ... American Red Cross ... Asia Society ... Aspen Institute ... Atlantic Council of the United States ... Botswana Society ... Brookings Institution ... Canadian Institute of International Affairs ... Catholic University of America ... Center for Community Change ... Center for Inter-American Relations ... Colonial Williamsburg Foundation ... Columbia University ... Committee for Economic Development ... Conservation Foundation ... Council on Foreign Relations: ... \$375,000 ... Dartmouth College ... Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York ... Foreign Policy Association ... Harvard University ... Hudson Institute ... Institute of International Education ... Institute of Politics, New Orleans... International House ... International Institute for Strategic Studies [IISS] ... International Rescue Committee ... International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources [IUCN] ... Japan Society ... Metropolitan Museum of Art [\$1 million+] ... National Committee on United States-China Relations, Inc. ... National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America ... Nature Conservancy ... New York Public Library ... New York University ... New York Zoological Society ... Outward Bound ... Overseas Development Council ... Planned Parenthood of New York City ... Population Council, Inc. ... Population Institute ... Population Reference Bureau ... Rockefeller Family Fund ... Rockefeller University ... Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality, Inc. ... Smithsonian Institution ... Stanford Research Institute: ... \$100,000 ... United Nations Association ... "*

► 1982 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants):  
*"Princeton University ... Bio-Energy Council ... Conservation Foundation ... Environmental Policy*

*Institute ... National Association for the Advancement of Colored People ... Nature Conservancy ... Smithsonian Institution ... Urban Institute ... Yale University ... Carter Presidential Library ... Center for Community Change ... Columbia University ... Africa News Service ... Asia Society ... Smithsonian ... Trilateral Commission: ... \$240,000 ... United Nations Association ... Harvard University ... Neurosciences Research Foundation ... Population Council: ... \$2,600,000 ... Rockefeller University ... Cornell University ... Asia Society ... Japan Center for International Exchange ... Japan Society ... Sierra Club Foundation: ... \$20,000 ... Worldwatch Institute: ... \$150,000 ... African-American Institute ... "*

- ▶ 1991 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants):  
*"THE SYNERGOS INSTITUTE: ... \$250,000 ... International Institute for Energy Conservation: ... \$300,000 ... National Committee on United States-Chian Relations ... \$40,000 ... Environmental Defense Fund ... \$150,000 ... World Resources Institute: ... \$150,000 ... World Wildlife Fund and the Conservation Foundation, Inc.: ... \$300,000 ... Worldwatch Institute, Washington, D.C. State of the World and World Watch magazine: ... \$525,000 ... German Marshall Fund of the United States: ... \$450,000 ... Johns Hopkins University ... \$165,000 ... Asian NGO Coalition research Foundation ... Center for Cultural and Technical Exchange Between East and West ... Friends of the Earth [for] Asian development Bank monitoring project. \$100,000 ... Philippine Environmental Journalists, Inc ... Wildlife Fund Thailand ... World Resources Institute, Washington, D.C. Climate change project. \$150,000 ... Atlantic Council of the U.S. ... \$133,500 ... Brookings Institution: ... \$375,000 ... Carnegie Endowment: ... \$170,000 ... Friends of the Earth: ... \$100,000 [for] continued support for its Nuclear non-Proliferation Project ... Massachusetts Institute of Technology: ... \$100,000 ... nNatural Resources Defense Council: ... \$110,000 ... Princeton University: ... \$120,000 ... Henry L. Stimson Center: ... \$100,000 ... Hudson Institute: ... \$100,000 ... Asia Foundation: ... \$150,000 ... Asian Cultural Council: ... \$400,000 ... The Brookings Institution: ... \$180,000 ... Council on Foreign Relations: ... \$60,000 ... Institute for International Economics: ... \$160,000 ... Shanghai Institute for International Studies ... United States National Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation: ... \$42,000 ..."*
- ▶ 2000 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants):  
*"CONSERVATION: Climate Institute: ... \$100,000 ... Earth Council Foundation: ... \$100,000 .... Greenpeace Fund: ... \$100,000 ... National Resources Defense Council: ...*

\$150,000 ... Nature Conservancy: ... \$45,000 ... Rainforest Action Network: ... \$200,000 ... Rockefeller Family Fund ... \$150,000 ... Sierra Club of British Columbia Foundation ... \$25,000 ... Tides Foundation: ... \$100,000 ... World Resources Institute: ... \$150,000 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$100,000 ... Yale University: ... \$25,000 ... Friend of the Earth, International, Amsterdam, Netherlands: ... \$70,000 ... German Marshall Fund ... \$450,000 ... Earth Island Institute: ... \$52,700 ... Friends of the Earth--Japan: ... \$200,000 ...

GLOBAL SECURITY: Aspen Institute: ... \$500,000 ... Foreign Policy Association: ... \$25,000 ... Georgetown University: ... \$15,000 ... Harvard University: ... \$25,000 ... New York University: ... \$190,000 ... State of the World Forum: ... \$25,000 ... United Nations Association: ... \$250,000 ... The World Affairs Council of Northern California: ... \$75,000 ... Georgetown University: ... \$200,000 ... International Forum on Globalization: ... \$150,000 ... Trustees of Tufts College: ... \$225,000 ... United Nations: ... \$100,000 ... Trilateral Commission: ... \$64,000 ... Institute for Security Studies: ... \$130,000 ... South African Institute of International Affairs: ... \$49,000 ... "

## Rockefeller Family Fund

- ▶ [rffund.org/about](http://rffund.org/about) (accessed: March 6, 2016): "*Martha, John, Laurance, Nelson, and David Rockefeller created the Rockefeller Family Fund (RFF) in 1967. Since then, RFF has worked at the cutting edge of advocacy in such areas as environmental protection...*"
- ▶ Laurance Rockefeller in particular has been deeply involved in financing ecology-tied new age and psychedelics groups. The [Esalen Institute](#), [Green Earth Foundation](#), [Heffter Research Institute](#), [Lindisfarne Association](#), [Manitou Foundation](#) and [Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research](#) all come to mind. As ISGP's [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) article makes clear, for the most part Laurance Rockefeller has been backing scam artists, quite possibly on behalf of the CIA.
- ▶ More recently headed by Dr. Richard Rockefeller, a son of David Rockefeller who died in a plane crash in 2014. Dr. Richard Rockefeller was an important financier and promoter of the [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies](#) (MAPS).
- ▶ [discoverthenetworks.org/funderprofile.asp?fndid=5208](http://discoverthenetworks.org/funderprofile.asp?fndid=5208) (accessed: March 6, 2016): "*Recipients of RFF philanthropy include: Alliance For Justice; the American Civil Liberties Union's Women's Rights Project; the Brennan Center for*



*Justice; Campaign for America's Future; the Center for American Progress; the Center for Community Change; Defenders of Wildlife; the Earth Day Network; Earthjustice; Environmental Media Services; the Environmental Working Group; the [Friends of the Earth Foundation](#); the [Greenpeace Fund](#); the [Institute for Policy Studies](#); the Institute for Women's Policy Research; the Izaak Walton League of America; the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law; the League of Conservation Voters Education Fund; the League of Women Voters Education Fund; Mothers and Others for a Livable Planet; MoveOn.org; the Ms. Foundation for Women; the NARAL Pro-Choice America, the NAACP National Voter Fund; the National Organization for Women Legal Defense and Education Fund; the National Wildlife Federation; the National Women's Law Center; the [New World Foundation](#); the [People for the American Way Action Fund](#); Planned Parenthood; Project Vote; the Proteus Fund; the Public Citizen Foundation; the [Sierra Club](#); TechRocks; the [Tides Foundation](#) and the Tides Center; the Union of Concerned Scientists; the [U.S. Public Interest Research Group Education Fund](#); the [Waterkeeper Alliance](#); and the Wilderness Society."*

### **Rockefeller Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 1913 by Pilgrims Society John D. Rockefeller, Sr. and his son, [Pilgrims Society](#) member John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Almost exclusively donates to very traditional and prestigious charities, including many Third World sustainable development and social programs.
- ▶ December 9, 2013, Dr. Richard Rockefeller (a son of David Rockefeller) during a conversation with Dr. Larry Brilliant at The Commonwealth Club of California radio program: *"I come from a lineage of John D. Rockefeller. In creating the Rockefeller Foundation he was deeply interested in root causes. And in some ways he invented strategic philanthropy and I kind of carry that desire with me. And I do believe [in] global warming as [a] root cause. Without treating global warming, we can't take care of any other environmental problems."*
- ▶ May 7, 2013, email of Huma Ebedin to John Podesta, Sandy Berger and others, 'Re: CGI [Clinton Global Initiative] Monthly Tracking Report for April 2013'. (Wikileaks Podesta emails leak): *"Annual Meeting Sponsorship: - Rockefeller Foundation renewed and increased its sponsorship from \$350K to \$1 million. ... - Ford Foundation renewed its sponsorship at \$400K. - HP has agreed to provide at least \$100K cash..."*
- ▶ The Rockefeller Foundation is major force in advising other foundations what to do with their funds:

- ▶ August 13, 1994, New York Times, 'Teaching the Next Generation to Give of Themselves': *"As children, generations of Rockefeller offspring were introduced to philanthropy... Thousands of families with much smaller and newer fortunes [are now] making sure the philanthropic spirit is instilled in their children. ... What is at stake is who will take charge of 24,000 family foundations that gave away \$6 billion last year... Getting young people interested in philanthropy... is important for another reason, said Dr. James A. Joseph, president of the Council on Foundations [who worked for Carter, Reagan, Bush and Clinton and was a CFR member and a director of the Brookings Institution and the National Endowment for Democracy (NED, which took over CIA funding)]... Young people stand to inherit \$6 trillion to \$8 trillion in the next 30 years, he said... A number of foundation leaders, including Peter C. Goldmark Jr., president of the Rockefeller Foundation, act as informal mentors to young people with inherited wealth."*

### Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors

- ▶ [rockpa.org/page.aspx?pid=238](http://rockpa.org/page.aspx?pid=238) (accessed: March 6, 2016): *"Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors (RPA) is a nonprofit organization that currently advises on and manages more than \$200 million in annual giving by individuals, families, corporations, and major foundations. Continuing the Rockefeller family's legacy of thoughtful, effective philanthropy, RPA remains at the forefront of philanthropic growth and innovation, with a diverse team led by experienced grantmakers with significant depth of knowledge across the spectrum of issue areas. Founded in 2002, RPA has grown into one of the world's largest philanthropic service organizations and, as a whole, has facilitated more than \$3 billion in grantmaking to nearly 70 countries. ... Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors has a full-time staff of 40 in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and San Francisco offices in addition to a group of carefully selected expert affiliates. RPA's senior staff members offer an average of 20 years each in grantmaking experience with major foundations, both domestic and international, including the Ford Foundation, the Levi-Strauss Foundation, the New York Community Trust, and the John A. Hartford Foundation. Senior staff are frequent speakers and are quoted often in national publications and media. Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors currently serves more than 160 donors giving to countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Europe, Latin America and North America."*

## Roy A. Hunt Foundation

- ▶ Minor Mellon-linked foundation, but listed here because it is a generous annual donor to the new age [Esalen Institute](#). This, by the way, seems to be its only somewhat peculiar grant recipient.
- ▶ [rahuntdn.org](#) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"In the early 1900s, Roy A. Hunt worked his way up from mill clerk to president of Alcoa, the company his father helped found. After establishing The Hunt Foundation in 1951, he established the Roy A. Hunt Foundation in 1966 as an endowed resource so that future generations could be involved in charitable giving as a family. (The foundations merged in 1994). Three generations of Hunt family members now serve as trustees, continuing the Foundation's mission of supporting organizations that strive to improve the quality of life. The Foundation annually grants \$3 million in the United States, primarily through proposals invited by the trustees and through the Foundation's special initiatives."*
- ▶ [rahuntdn.org/about-us/our-foundations-history/](#) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"Rachel and Roy had four sons, all of whom served as the Roy A. Hunt Foundation's initial trustees: Roy A. Hunt, Jr. was a banker at Mellon Bank where he was Vice President of Community Banking until his death in 1981. Alfred M. Hunt was a metallurgist who was elected to the Board of Directors of Alcoa in 1949 and served as Vice President and Secretary of the company until his death in 1984. Torrence M. Hunt spent his entire career at Alcoa before retiring as Vice President in 1982. He died in 2004. Richard M. Hunt, the only surviving son, was a Harvard faculty member for 42 years and its University Marshal for 20 years before retiring in 2002."*
- ▶ 2015-2016 grants went to: American Red Cross Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter, Boston College, Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, Climate Interactive, Doctors Without Borders, Duke University, [Esalen Institute](#), [Friends of the Earth](#), Harvard College, [Natural Resources Defense Council](#), Oberlin College, Planned Parenthood, Princeton University, RAND Corporation, Save the Children Federation, University of North Carolina, World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh, World Resources Institute.

## Rudolf Steiner Foundation

- ▶ [rsfsocialfinance.org/our-story/](#) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Founded in 1936 as the Rudolf Steiner Foundation, RSF Social Finance began making loans to Steiner-inspired organizations in 1984. In the late 1990s, RSF's mission expanded to serve a*

*broader range of clients whose intentions and values are compatible with Steiner's insights on associative economics and social renewal. Since 1984, RSF has made over \$275 million in loans and over \$130 million in grants, placing us in the top tier of social finance organizations worldwide. ... Inspired by the work of Rudolf Steiner, we believe that money has a deeply spiritual dimension. In our view, money is a form of energy that connects one person to another and strengthens the bonds of community. "*

► **Tides Foundation** grants:

- 2007 Tides grants list: "[Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#). \$1,629,000.00. U.S.A. [www.rsfoundation.org](#)."
- 2008 Tides grants list: "[Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#). \$1,537,000.00. U.S.A. [www.rsfoundation.org](#)."
- 2009 Tides grants list: "[Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#). \$1,500,000.00. U.S.A. [www.rsfoundation.org](#)."

► Also received millions from the Buffett family's **NoVo Foundation**.

► [rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2014-grantees/](#) (accessed: February 27, 2016): "[350.org](#). [Alliance for Leadership and Interconnection](#). [Alliance for the Earth](#). [Amazon Watch](#). [American Himalayan Foundation](#). ... [Biosphere Foundation](#). [Buckminster Fuller Institute](#). ... [Center for Ecoliteracy](#). [Climate Solutions](#). ... [Earth Incorporated](#). [Earth Island Institute](#). [Earthjustice](#). [EarthWays Foundation, Inc.](#) ... [Friends of the Earth](#). ... [Grassroots International](#). [Green America](#). [Green Belt Movement International](#). [Greenpeace Fund](#). ... [Natural Resources Defense Council](#). ... [Nature Conservancy](#). ... [Sierra Club Foundation](#). ... [Sustainable Markets Foundation](#). ... [Gaia Foundation](#). ... [The Nation Institute](#). ... [The Pachamama Alliance](#). ... [Wildlife Conservation Network](#). [World Wildlife Fund](#). ... [Aspen Institute](#). ... [Esalen Institute](#). ... [MassVOTE Education Fund](#). ... [Rudolf Steiner College](#). [Rudolf Steiner Fellowship Foundation](#). [Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor](#). ... [Spirit in Action](#). [Spirit Rock Meditation Center](#). ... [Steiner Books](#). ... [Tides Foundation](#). [Truthout](#). ... [Zen Foundation](#). [Zen Peacemakers](#). ... [Bill, Hillary & Chelsea Clinton Foundation](#)."

► [rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2013-grantees/](#) (accessed: February 27, 2016): "[350.org](#). ... [Institute for Policy Studies](#). [Jane Goodall Institute](#). ... [Pachamama Alliance](#) ... [Sierra Club Foundation](#) ... [Buckminster Fuller Institute](#) ... [Tides Foundation](#) ... [Threshold Foundation](#)..."

► [rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2012-grantees/](#) (accessed: February 27, 2016): "[Rainforest Action Network](#) ... [Sierra Club Foundation](#) ... [The Gaia Foundation](#) ... [Wildlife Conservation Network](#) ... [Pacifica Foundation](#)... [Truthout](#) ... [Foundation for National Progress](#) ... [Buckminster Fuller Institute](#)... [William J. Clinton Foundation](#)..."

- ▶ [rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2011-grantees/](https://rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2011-grantees/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Pachamama Alliance ... World Wildlife Fund ..."*
- ▶ [rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2008-grantees/](https://rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2008-grantees/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Pachamama Alliance ... Rainforest Action Network ..."*
- ▶ [rsfsocialfinance.org/2012/01/19/december-2011-grant-making/](https://rsfsocialfinance.org/2012/01/19/december-2011-grant-making/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Another borrower, investor, and grantee (we should have a special award for being all three!) is Pachamama Alliance, one of our fellow neighbors here in the Presidio. Founded in 1995, Pachamama is dedicated to protecting the Earth's rain forests and the indigenous people who live within them. They seek to accomplish their mission by delivering educational experiences that are designed to inspire and educate individuals everywhere to bring forth a thriving, just, and sustainable world. The grant from RSF was specifically to support Pachamama's Rights of Nature program, an innovative initiative focused on establishing a legal basis for protecting our planet. Building upon success in Ecuador, the first country in history to include Rights of Nature in its constitution in 2008, Pachamama helped form the Global Alliance for the Rights of Nature, a group of internationally recognized experts and leaders working for the universal adoption and implementation of Rights of Nature."* The Pachamama Alliance appears in grants lists of RSF in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014.

## San Francisco Foundation

- ▶ Synonymous with the Levi Strauss Foundation, which appears often in "liberal CIA" circles, but this author ignored due to awareness of the Trilateral Commission - Ford Foundation background of the Levi Strauss Company leadership over the 20th century.
- ▶ The San Francisco Foundation was set up in 1948 by Daniel E. Koshland Sr. and based on the Levi Strauss fortune. Koshland's grandfather was wealthy Jewish wool merchant Simon Koshland. Simon's daughter Frances "Fanny" married Abraham Haas and his son Marcus married Eleanor Haas, the daughter of Abraham Haas. The Haas family came to inherit the Levi Strauss fortune. These connections are what brought Daniel Koshland, Sr. into the Levi Strauss Company, ran by Walter A. Haas, Sr., president of Levi Strauss & Co. 1928-1955 and chair 1955-1970. Haas, Sr. brought him in 1922, well before Koshland set up the San Francisco Foundation. The Haas family came to be deeply involved with the Rockefellers and other elites through the Trilateral Commission, [Ford](#)

[Foundation](#), Museum of Modern Art, the CFR, etc.

- ▶ September 21, 1995, San Francisco Chronicle, 'Walter Haas Dies': *"Walter A. Haas Jr., patriarch of the San Francisco family that runs Levi Strauss & Co. ... [Haas, Jr.] received awards from three U.S. presidents, was a member of the prestigious Trilateral Commission [at least 1981-1995], ... a trustee of the Ford Foundation, a director of the National Park Foundation, the National Commission on Public Service and the Presidio Council. ... "There isn't any organization the Haases are not involved with: the [San Francisco] Museum of Modern Art [as executive vice president, with the NYC branch owned by the Rockefellers], the opera, the symphony, the university," said one observer. ... By 1958, he had succeeded his uncle, Daniel E. Koshland Sr., as president of Levi Strauss and in 1976, he succeeded his father as chairman of the board."*
- ▶ Robert D. Haas (b. 1942) bio: Son of Walter A. Haas Jr. Chairman emeritus of Levi Strauss & Co. Former president Levi Strauss Foundation. Trilateral Commission. Trustee Ford Foundation. CFR member. Honorary trustee Brookings Institution. Former Chairman of Stanford's Humanities and Sciences Council.
- ▶ Future CFR member (1968-2013) and founding Trilateral Commission member in 1973, William M. Roth, served on the board of the San Francisco Foundation:
  - ▶ [sff.org/about-us/board-of-trustees/former-trustees/](http://sff.org/about-us/board-of-trustees/former-trustees/) (accessed: March 11, 2022): *"William M. Roth: 1960-1963. ... Daniel E. Koshland: 1948-1974. ... Peter E. Haas Sr.: 1984-1994. ... Peter E. Haas Jr. 1996-2005."*
- ▶ William R. Hewlett, founder of the Hewlett Packard Company and the multi-billionaire [Hewlett Foundation](#) (and Packard Foundation) was a trustee of the San Francisco Foundation from 1960 to 1969.
  - ▶ [sff.org/about-tsff/about-our-work/history-of-tsff/](http://sff.org/about-tsff/about-our-work/history-of-tsff/) (accessed: October 11, 2017): *"In 1948, a group of forward-looking civic leaders, led by the late Daniel Koshland [Sr.], started The San Francisco Foundation with the help of a founding grant from The Columbia Foundation."*
  - ▶ [sff.org/about-tsff/who-we-are/board-of-trustees/](http://sff.org/about-tsff/who-we-are/board-of-trustees/) (accessed: October 11, 2017): *"1960-1969: William R. Hewlett [founder HP and Hewlett Foundation] ... Peter E. Haas, Sr. 1984-1994 [younger brother of Walter, Jr.; Harvard; president and CEO (1976-2005) and chairman (1981-1989) of the Levi Strauss & Co.]. ... 1994-2005: Peter E. Haas, Jr. [manager Levi Strauss and director and trustee of the foundation] ... "*
- ▶ More on Koshland Sr. (1892-1979): Jewish. Grandson of Simon Koshland, one of the most successful wool merchants in San Francisco. UCLA-educated. Worked as a banker in New York City in the mid 1910s. Joined Levi Strauss in San Francisco in

1922, ran by his brother-in-law, Walter Haas, Jr. Served as vice president and treasurer; then, from 1955 to 1958, as president and CEO of Levi Strauss & Co. Usher at the wedding of Major Julius Ochs Adler (New York Times, Aug. 28, 1922), a member of the [Pilgrims Society](#) and a vice president and treasurer of the New York Times. Director Wells Fargo Bank and the American Trust Company. Director of the American Red Cross and national vice chairman of the United Negro College Fund campaign.

- ▶ His son, Daniel Jr., graduated from the super-elite Phillips Exeter Academy in 1937, went to UCLA, and worked in the secret Manhattan Project with Glenn Seaborg in purifying plutonium. After that, he went to the Rockefeller's University of Chicago to get his Ph.D. and did research at Rockefeller University. Served as editor of the elite Science journal from 1985 to 1995.
- ▶ The San Francisco Foundation had a \$1.3 billion endowment by 2016, with grants heavily focused on sustainable development, [pro-Third World immigration](#), [feminism](#), [psychedelics](#), Ivy League universities and other typical "liberal CIA" subjects. Also donates to the Trilateral Commission.
  - ▶ 2004-2005, San Francisco Foundation, from 990 grants list: "[Center for Cognitive Liberty & Ethics](#): \$20,000 ... [Agape Foundation](#): \$1,300 [and] \$15,000 [and] \$2,000 [and] \$10,000 [and] [The Agape Foundation](#): \$5,000 [and] \$20,000 [and] \$15,000 [Agape donated to [Project Censored](#)] ... [Alternet](#): \$500 ... [ACLU] ... [CATO](#) ... [the Soros-backed] [Center for American Progress](#) ... [Earth Island Institute](#) ... [EarthJustice](#) ... [Episcopal Community Services](#) ... [Friends of the Earth](#) ... [Harvard Medical School](#): \$200,000 ... [Heffter Research Institute](#): \$25,000 [and] \$25,000 ... [Immigrant Legal Resource Center](#) ... [KPFA \[Pacifica Radio Foundation\]](#) ... [La Raza](#) ... [Latino Community Foundation](#) ... [Long Now Foundation](#): \$15,000 ... [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies](#): \$20,000 [and] \$170,000 [and] \$1,000... [NAACP](#) ... [NARAL Pro-Choice](#) ... [National Abortion Rights Action League Foundation](#) ... [National Resources Defense Council](#) ... [New Israel Fund](#) ... [Oxfam America](#) ... [Pacifica Radio Foundation](#): \$1,000 ... [Pierpont Morgan Library](#) ... [Planned Parenthood](#) ... [Ploughshares Fund](#) ... [Population Action International](#) ... [Princeton](#): \$200,000 ... [Rainforest Action Network](#) ... [Sierra Club](#) ... [Southern Poverty Law Center](#) ... [Stanford](#) ... [The Global Fund for Women](#) ... [The Nature Conservancy](#) ... [Tides Center](#) ... [Tides Foundation](#) ... [The Trilateral Commission](#): \$5,000 ... [University of California](#) ... [University of Chicago](#) ... [Whitney Museum of Art](#) ... [World Wildlife Fund](#) ... [Yale University](#) ..."



## Schumann Center for Media and Democracy (Bill Moyers)

- ▶ Founded in 1961, based on fortunes acquired through [Pilgrims Society](#)-linked corporations IBM and General Motors. Until the early 2000s known as the Florence and John J. Schumann Jr. Foundation. The foundation is a major contributor to left wing media outlets.
- ▶ For some strange reason even anno 2016 the Schumann Center has no website with current information as trustees and grants.
- ▶ Liberal elitist Bill Moyers was president of the Schumann Center since 1990:
  - ▶ Director Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) 1967-1974.
  - ▶ Steering committee member of Bilderberg.
  - ▶ Trustee of George Soros' Open Society Foundations.
- ▶ [bilderbergmeetings.org/former-steering-committee-members.html](#) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"USA. Moyers, Bill D."*
- ▶ [pbs.org/moyers/journal/10102008/watch.html](#) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"My guest George Soros, one of the world's best known and successful investors, making billions in times of boom or bust. ... In the interest of full disclosure, you should know that I served three years on the board of George Soros' foundation, the Open Society Institute, dealing with such issues as a free press, the rule of law, and human rights. But I've had no involvement in his political activities and nothing to do, with his business interests unfortunately. [This is pretty much a lie, as both men have almost completely similar political views and donate to the same causes]."*
- ▶ February 26, 1991, New York Times, 'Florence F. Schumann, A Philanthropist, 99': *"Florence Ford Schumann, a founder of a major philanthropic foundation in New Jersey and a generous contributor to health, education and community development causes, died on Friday at her winter home in Delray Beach, Fla. ... Mrs. Schumann was the principal donor to the Florence and John Schumann Foundation, which she established with her husband, John J. Schumann Jr., a former president and chairman of the General Motors."*
- ▶ Foundation Center: [fdnweb.org/schumann/history/](#) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"In 1988, Florence Schumann and her children created the Schumann Fund for New Jersey to continue the lifelong philanthropy of Mrs. Schumann and her husband, John. The Schumann Fund for New Jersey traces its roots to the Florence and John Schumann Foundation. Florence Ford and John Schumann settled in Montclair soon after they married in 1917. During their forty-seven year marriage, they amassed a considerable fortune, combining inherited wealth from Florence Ford's father, one of the*

*founders of the IBM Corporation, with John Schumann's business success, which culminated with his presidency of the General Motors Acceptance Corporation."*

- ▶ July 20, 2009, PBS, 'Journalistic Foundations': *"Moyers' guest was Wendell Potter, until last year the chief of corporate communications for Cigna, one of the largest U.S. health insurance companies. But after many years defending his company and the industry, Potter resigned and changed course and is now a severe and public critic of what he calls a "duplicitous and well-financed PR and lobbying campaign" by the industry to shape any future health care reform so that it "benefits Wall Street far more than average Americans." ... Potter's new job is as a senior fellow with an organization known as the Center for Media and Democracy (CMD) and that another organization with a similar name — the Schumann Center for Media and Democracy, of which Bill Moyers is president — is one of the funders of the CMD. This linkage was not disclosed on the broadcast."*
- ▶ January 1, 2015, Washington Post, 'Bill Moyers signs off — for the final time, he swears': *"As the longtime president of the New Jersey-based Schumann Center for Media and Democracy (2012 assets: \$28.1 million), Moyers has helped direct millions of dollars in charitable grants to left-leaning journals and public broadcasting outlets over the years. Among the 2012 recipients of Schumann's largesse: "Democracy Now," the public-radio program (\$750,000); Mother Jones magazine (\$200,000); Boston public station WGBH (\$25,000); and New York public broadcaster WNET (\$140,000). In earlier years, Schuman has supported such liberal outlets as the Nation magazine, the Washington Monthly, In These Times, TomPaine.com, Truthout.org and The American Prospect. Moyers's dual roles — as both TV host and philanthropist — have sometimes overlapped and even presented possible conflicts of interest. For example, Schumann helped finance TomPaine.com, which was founded by Moyers's son John, who was also a former member of Schumann's board. Further, in 2011, Schumann gave \$859,146 to the Independent Production Fund, according to the foundation's tax filing. The IPF has produced a number of Moyers's public television programs over the years. What's more, Moyers occasionally featured on his program some of the very organizations Schumann financed without disclosing the connection. In 2012, for example, "Moyers & Co." devoted an entire episode to an interview with Heather McGhee, the Washington policy director of Demos, a campaign-finance and advocacy organization. Schumann gave \$375,000 to Demos in 2012 and 2011, the last years public records are available. Asked repeatedly about this, Moyers offered no response. ... Moyers' visibility has fallen in recent years, in part because*

"Moyers & Co." airs at different times on public stations, sometimes in the wee hours, which complicates national promotion. The program has been distributed not by Arlington, Va.-based PBS but by another outfit, American Public Television, leading to suggestions within public broadcasting that PBS has tried to distance itself from the politically explosive Moyers. PBS spokeswoman Jan McNamara declined direct comment on this, as did Moyers. ... As a "news analyst" who had worked alongside another conservative *bête noire*, CBS's Dan Rather, Moyers was already politically suspect when he produced and hosted a 1987 documentary for PBS about the Iran-Contra affair, "The Secret Government." The program so outraged conservatives that it sparked a new effort to defund the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the intermediary that funnels federal funds to public broadcasters. The efforts against Moyers were renewed in 2005 when the conservative chairman of the CPB, Kenneth Tomlinson, sought to demonstrate liberal bias at PBS."

► Grants:

- [activistfacts.com/foundation/314-SchumannCenterforMediaDemocracy/](http://activistfacts.com/foundation/314-SchumannCenterforMediaDemocracy/):

"Florence Ford Schumann, who died in 1991, and her husband John Schumann, started this foundation in 1961. ... The current President of the Foundation is PBS's Bill Moyers. ... [Grants:] Center for Media & Democracy \$75,000 1997 ... [Friends of the Earth](#) \$100,000 1992 ... [Natural Resources Defense Council](#) \$255,000 1992. [Sierra Club](#) \$320,000 1996. [Tides Foundation](#) & Tides Center \$5,407,500 1998."

- 2001, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "- ... A grant of \$2,000,000 for continued support of the bi-weekly magazine, [The American Prospect](#)... [total:] \$2,139,000... [Nation Institute](#)... A grant of \$15,000..."
- 2002, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "- A grant of \$25,000 to fund a series of our public debates, A terminal grant of \$2,000,000 for continued support of the bi-weekly magazine, [The American Prospect](#)... - The Florence Fund, Washington, DC. A grant of \$2,500,000 for the period ending December 31, 2002 of which \$2,000,000 is specifically intended to support [Tompaine.com](#) and operating costs, and \$500,000 for a challenge grant on a \$1 for \$1 matching basis... - [Nation Institute](#)... A grant of \$5,000..." Other beneficiaries: Atlantic Public Media (\$225,000 for Transom.org), Center for Digital Democracy (\$50,000), [Institute for Public Accuracy](#) (\$50,000), Cursor.org and Media-Transparency.org (\$25,000), and [Public Radio International](#) (\$25,000).
- 2003, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "- [The](#)

[American Prospect](#)... A grant of \$20,000 to fund research for a book on the roots of America's imperial foreign policy; a grant of \$100,000 toward expansion of election coverage in 2004. ... - [Foundation for National Progress](#)... \$110,000... - GRIST Magazine, Inc., Seattle, WA. A grant of \$25,000 to fund on-line reporting on environmental issues. ... - [Nation Institute](#)... \$115,000... - Proteus Fund, Amherst, MA. A three-year one time only grant of \$1,500,000 to support the Media Action Fund's paid media activism for grassroots environmental organizations. ... - Public Radio International, Minneapolis, MN. A grant of \$125,000... WM Corporation, Washington, DC. A grant of \$30,000 to support investigative journalism at The Washington Monthly; a grant of \$100,000 to support investigative reporting on the 2004 political campaigns at The Washington Monthly."

- ▶ 2004, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "-  
[Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) [for] publicly verifiable elections. \$7,500. ... - [People for the American Way](#), Washington, DC. A grant of \$10,000 to support the activities of The Elections Protection 2004 project. - Proteus Fund, Inc. ... \$250,000 ... on behalf of the Clean Election Law in Arizona. ... - [The American Prospect](#)... \$155,000... - Brigham Young University, Provo, UT. A grant of \$110,000 to fund the Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy's Study... - Cursor, Inc.... \$40,900... - [Democracy Now](#)... A grant of \$25,000 to fund Special 2004 election coverage... - The Florence Fund, Washington, DC. A grant of 2,000,000, to support the [Tompaine.com](#) project and operating costs. Balance of \$1.5 million was rescinded on May 18, 2004. ... - [Foundation for National Progress](#)... A grant of \$100,000 to support the [Mother Jones](#) State of the Union project. ... - Free Press, Northampton, MA ... \$600,000... - GRIST Magazine... \$100,000... - Independent Media Institute... A grant of \$150,000 to fund [Alternet.org](#)'s alternative coverage of the 2004 election. - Institute for America's Future... A grant of \$1.5 million for general support and for [Tompaine.com](#) website. - A grant of \$15,000 to fund the efforts of [In These Times](#) magazine to reach a broader audience. ... - Proteus Fund... A three-year one time only grant of \$1,500,000. ... - Public Intelligence, Inc., New York, NY. A challenge grant of \$250,000 on a \$1 for \$1 matching basis to fund the program expansion of The Hightower Lowdown in print and on the Internet. ... Amount Paid 2004: \$98,725... WM Corporation... \$320,000 [Washington Monthly]..."
- ▶ 2007, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "-

*Common Dreams, Inc., Portland, ME. A grant of \$250,000 for general support... - [National Security Archive Fund, Inc.](#) Washington, DC. A grant of \$500,000 to fund the Torturing Democracy television documentary and website project."*

- ▶ 2008, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "*- [Sustainable Markets Foundation](#)... An 18-month grant of \$900,000 for general support of [Project 350](#). ... - Educational Broadcasting Corporation... A two-year grant of \$1,000,000... - Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting... A two-year grant of \$500,000... - [Truthout.org](#), Encinitas, CA. A grant of \$500,000 for general support to strengthen editorial content through 2008. [\$250,000 paid in 2007 and the rest in 2008]... - [Foundation for National Progress](#), San Francisco, CA. A two-year grant of \$100,000 for general support... - Free Press, Northampton, MA. A two-year grant of \$1,250,000 for general support to advance citizen action on media reform. - Grist Magazine, Inc., Seattle, WA. A two-year grant of \$500,000 for general support... - Independent Media Institute, San Francisco, CA. A two-year grant of \$500,000 of which \$330,000 is for general support of [Alternet](#)... - Institute for American's Future... \$440,000... Institute for Public Affairs, Chicago, IL. A two-year grant of \$200,000 for general support of [In These Times](#)... - Media Matters for America... \$100,000... - Prometheus Radio Project, Philadelphia, PA. A grant of \$150,000 for general support. - Tides Center... An 18-month grant of \$1,500,000 to establish the American Media Project."*
- ▶ 2009, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (officers): "*Robert F. Schumann... Chair Emerit... Bill D. Moyers... Pres./Trust... W. Ford Schumann... Chair Emerit... David S. Bate... Sec/Treas... Michael J. Johnston... VP/Trustee... Joan Konner... Chair/Trust... William McKibben... Trustee... Lynn C. Welhorsky... VP-Admin... Margaret Schumann... Trustee... W. Ford Schumann Jr. ... Trustee...*"
- ▶ 2009, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "*- Common Dreams Inc. ... \$200,000... - Democracy Now... \$300,000... - Earth Island Institute ... \$15,000 ... - Free Press ... \$750,000 ... - Sustainable Markets Foundation ... \$210,000 ... - Tides Center ... \$750,000 ... - Voter Action ... \$189,000..."*
- ▶ 2011, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "*- [350.org](#) ... \$211,300 ... - Common Cause Education Fd. ... \$100,000 ... - [Truthout](#) ... \$250,000 ... - Voter Action ... \$500,000 ... - Nation Institute ... \$25,000 ..."*
- ▶ 2012, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "*- Common Cause Education Fd. ... \$200,000. ... - Common Dreams ... \$200,000. ... - Democracy Now ... \$750,000 ... -*

*Free Press ... \$250,000. ... - Institute for Policy Studies ... \$110,000. ... - Mother Jones ... \$200,000. - Nation Institute ... \$80,000. - New York Public Radio ... \$10,000."*

- ▶ 2013, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): *"- Democracy Now ... \$750,000. ... - Common Dreams ... \$250,000. ... Foundation for National Progress, DBA Mother Jones ... \$93,750. - Nation Institute ... \$295,000. ... - Center for Media & Democracy ... \$250,000."*

## Skoll Foundation and Skoll Global Threats Fund

- ▶ Founded in 1999 by Jeff Skoll, with early strategic advice coming from [Pilgrims Society](#) executive, JPL advisory board member, former [Carnegie Endowment](#) president and trustee of [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) John W. Gardner.
  - ▶ [w3w.chartingimpact.org/release\\_2012\\_gardner\\_award](http://w3w.chartingimpact.org/release_2012_gardner_award) (accessed: March 26, 2017): *"Jeff credits the Foundation's strategic focus to a meeting with John W. Gardner, after whom the award is named. Gardner advised Jeff and Skoll Foundation CEO Sally Osberg to "bet on good people doing good things.""*
- ▶ Endowment of about \$300 million in the 2003-2007 period.
- ▶ In 2009 he created the Skoll Global Threats Fund, which he has been running with Google's Larry Brilliant ever since. Larry Brilliant is closely tied through the [psychedelics community](#) through The Well, the [Seva Foundation](#) and other endeavors.
  - ▶ [skollglobalthreats.org/about-us/board-of-directors/](http://skollglobalthreats.org/about-us/board-of-directors/) (accessed: March 27, 2017): *"In 2009, [Jeff] Skoll founded the Skoll Global Threats Fund. Its initial focus is on five global issues that, if unchecked, could bring the world to its knees: climate change, water scarcity, pandemics, nuclear proliferation and Middle East conflict. ... Larry Brilliant, the founding President of the Skoll Global Threats Fund, serves as Chairman of the Skoll Global Threats Fund and Senior Advisor to Jeff Skoll, helping Jeff build out the Jeff Skoll Group. He previously was Vice President of Google and Executive Director of Google.org. ... In 1985, while in Ann Arbor, Larry founded the [Seva Foundation](#)... [Brilliant] co-founded The Well [and is a] member of the World Economic Forum Global Advisory Council on Catastrophic Risks. He was elected to the Council on Foreign Relations in 2008."*
- ▶ The Skoll Foundation is a sister foundation of the [Omidyar Network](#), as both foundations are derived from the eBay fortune. Jeff Skoll was eBay's first full-time employee.
- ▶ [skoll.org/about/meet-jeff-skoll/](http://skoll.org/about/meet-jeff-skoll/) (accessed: March 26, 2017): *"As founder and chairman of the Skoll Foundation, the Skoll*

*Global Threats Fund, Participant Media, and the Capricorn Investment Group, Jeff Skoll is bringing life to his vision of a sustainable world of peace and prosperity.*

*As the first full-time employee and first President of eBay, Jeff developed the company's inaugural business plan and led its successful initial public offering. ...*

*After pioneering the creation of the eBay Foundation, Jeff [Skoll] founded the Skoll Foundation in 1999. ...*

*Awards and recognitions: ... The John W. Gardner Leadership Award. Officer of the Order of Canada."*

- ▶ Jeff Skoll is a good friend of actor George Clooney, whose films *Good Night, and Good Luck* (2005) and *Syriana* (2005, based on the CIA covert operations life of Robert Baer) he financed.
- ▶ Skoll played a key role in convincing Al Gore to turn his global warming slide show into the 2006 documentary *An Inconvenient Truth* and put up the financing of the film.
- ▶ Skoll has financed/produced numerous other politically-tinted films: *Murderball* (2005, about disabled people/athletes), *American Gun* (2005; an anti-gun film), *Fast Food Nation* (2006), *Chicago 10* (about Vietnam War protestors), *Charlie Wilson's War* (2007), *Angels in the Dust* (2007, about South Africa's AIDS epidemic), *Darfur Now* (2007), *Man from the Plains* (2007, about Jimmy Carter) *Standard Operating Procedure* (2008, about the U.S. abuse at Abu Graib), *Oceans* (2010, released on Earth Day), *Waiting for "Superman"* (2010, a critique of U.S. public education). He also produced an Arabic version of the film *Ghandi*, screened in Palestine to promote non-violence.

## Sunlight Foundation

- ▶ The Sunlight Foundation was founded in 2006, largely to help NGOs improve their IT capabilities. It has received MASSIVE financing from "liberal CIA" foundations as Soros, Omidyar, Ford, Rockefeller, Hewlett, MacArthur and others. Also very interesting is that Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales has been sitting on the advisory board for over 10 years. Jimmy Wales employee Katherine Maher joined the board of directors in early 2018. You have to see her biography to believe it:
  - ▶ Born in 1983. Claims she was first employed at 11 by superclass member Madeleine Albright. April 3, 2012, Katherine Maher for Levo.com, 'A Seat at the Table: a Twitter-ful list of women crucial to foreign policy': *"In 1994, I got a job working for Madeleine Albright. She was the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations [from 1993 to 1997]." Graduate in 2003 of the Arabic Language Institute's Arabic Language Intensive Program (ALIN) of The American University in Cairo, "instilling a deep love*



*of the Middle East*" in her. Studied at the Institut Français d'Etudes Arabes de Damas (L'IFEAD) in Syria in 2004. Visited Lebanon and Tunisia in this period. Internships at the CFR and Eurasia Group. BA from New York University in 2005. Manager at HSBC in 2005-2007. Innovation and communication officer UNICEF 2007-2010. ICT program officer for the super-elite "democracy-sponsoring" National Democratic Institute for International Affairs of Madeleine Albright 2010-2011. ICT innovation specialist 2011-2013. Advocacy director at the Washington, D.C.-based Access Now, financed by the Ford Foundation and other "liberal CIA" foundations, 2013-2014. Chief communications officer of the Wikimedia Foundation, founded in 2003 by Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales and the owner of Wikipedia, 2014-2016, executive director 2016-. Director of the Soros-Rockefeller-Omidyar-Ford Foundation-financed Sunlight Foundation since March 2018. Jimmy Wales has been sitting on the advisory board of the Sunlight Foundation since January 2007.

► Mission, Board of directors and advisory board of the Sunlight Foundation:

- [sunlightfoundation.com/node/1](http://sunlightfoundation.com/node/1) (accessed: February 7, 2007): "The Sunlight Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) educational organization, is designed to use the transformative power of the Internet and new information technology to enable citizens to learn more about what Congress and their elected representatives are doing, and thus help reduce corruption, ensure great transparency and accountability by government, and foster public trust in the vital institutions of democracy."
- [sunlightfoundation.com/node/160](http://sunlightfoundation.com/node/160) (accessed: February 23, 2007; first board with Jimmy Wales, first listed in February 2007): *"Board of Directors (in development): Michael R. Klein, Chairman. Ellen S. Miller, Sec-Treasurer. Esther Dyson, ED Venture. Nicholas J. Klein. Advisory Board (in development): Yochai Benkler, Yale University. Charles Lewis, former director, Center for Public Integrity. Kim Malone, Google. Craig Newmark, Craigslist. Jimmy Wales, Wikipedia."*
- [sunlightfoundation.com/about/board](http://sunlightfoundation.com/about/board) (June 7, 2014): *"Board of directors: ... Stacy Donohue, Omidyar Network ... Andrew McLaughlin [CEO of Digg]..."*
- [sunlightfoundation.com/about/board/](http://sunlightfoundation.com/about/board/) (accessed: March 25, 2018): *"Sunlight Foundation Board: - Mike Klein, Chairman, Co-Founder Sunlight Foundation. - Craig Newmark, Customer Service Rep and Founder of craigslist.org and craigconnects. - Katherine Maher, Executive Director of Wikimedia. - Zoe Reiter, Acting Representative to the United States of America for*

Transparency International. John Wonderlich, Executive Director, Sunlight Foundation.

Advisory Board: - Yochai Benkler, Harvard University. - Mitch Kapor... - Lawrence Lessig, Harvard University. - Charles Lewis, Founder, Center for Public Integrity. - Jimmy Wales, Wikipedia."

- ▶ The Sunlight Foundation received massive financing of key "liberal CIA" foundations, especially in the 2006-2015 period:
  - ▶ [sunlightfoundation.com/about/funding/](http://sunlightfoundation.com/about/funding/): **"2005: Michael R. Klein: \$3,500,000.00...**  
**2006: Rockefeller Family Fund: \$1,900,000.00...**  
**2007: ... Omidyar Network: \$2,000,000.00 ... Rockefeller Family Fund: \$1,000,000.00 ...**  
**2008: ... Pew Charitable Trusts: \$2,305,000.00 ... Omidyar Network: \$2,000,000.00 ... Michael R. Klein: \$500,000.00 ... Rockefeller Family Fund: \$500,000.00 ... Open Society Institute: \$250,000.00 ...**  
**2009: Omidyar Network: \$4,000,000.00 ... Michael R. Klein: \$850,000.00 ... Foundation to Promote Open Society: \$300,000.00 ... Knight Foundation: \$300,000.00 ... Rockefeller Family Fund: \$100,000.00 ... Google, Inc.: \$66,067.00... San Francisco Foundation: \$1,000.00 ...**  
**2010: Rockefeller Family Fund: \$1,750,000... Omidyar Network: \$1,472,184 ... Michael R. Klein: \$1,000,000 ... Knight Foundation: \$607,546 ... Pew Charitable Trusts: \$376,250 ... Ford Foundation: \$300,000.00 ... Adobe Systems Incorporated: \$50,000.00 ... craigslist Charitable Fund: \$50,000.00 ... Reid Hoffman [Peter Thiel ally and visitor of the Sun Valley Meetings]: \$50,000.00 ... Google, Inc.: \$20,000.00: For support of Design for America. ... [Peter Thiel's] Palantir Technologies Inc.: \$10,000.00: For support of Design for America. ... Microsoft: \$1,122.00...**  
**2011: Omidyar Network ... Rockefeller Family Fund ... Knight Foundation ... Open Society Foundations ... Pew Charitable Trusts ... Atlantic Philanthropies: \$100,000 ... Mark Cuban: \$100,000 ... Hewlett Foundation: \$60,000 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund: \$40,000... craigslist Charitable Fund: \$25,000 ... Google, Inc.: \$5,000...**  
**2012: Google Foundation (Google.org): \$2,100,000 ... Michael R. Klein: \$1,500,000 ... Omidyar Network: \$1,457,938 [and] \$544,224 ... Rockefeller Family Fund: \$500,000 ... Ford Foundation: \$300,000 ... Hewlett Foundation: \$250,000 ... Atlantic Philanthropies: \$100,000 ... Foundation to Promote Open Society: \$90,000 ... Kaphan Foundation: \$75,000 ... MacArthur Foundation: \$55,000 ... Google, Inc.: \$45,000 ... Poynter Institute: \$41,000 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund: \$40,000 ... Pew Charitable Trusts: \$39,874 ... craigslist Charitable**

Fund: \$25,000 ... University of Arkansas, Winthrop Rockefeller Institute : \$1,000.00...

**2013:** Omidyar Network: \$2,542,062 [and] \$60,000 ... Knight Foundation: \$750,000 ... Rockefeller Family Fund: \$500,000 ... Hewlett Foundation: \$250,000 ... Ford Foundation: \$205,000 ... Open Society Foundations: \$125,000 ... Foundation to Promote Open Society: \$40,000 [and] \$10,000 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund: \$40,000 ... Hewlett Foundation: \$25,645 ... [Mozilla Foundation](#): \$2,000.00: For sponsorship of the PDF Liberation Hackathon. ... GitHub: \$1,000.00: For support of TransparencyCamp 2013. ...

**2014:** Omidyar Network: \$2,000,000 ... Knight Foundation: \$1,492,000 ... Rockefeller Family Fund: \$500,000 ... Hewlett Foundation: \$250,000 ... Ford Foundation: \$150,000 ... [Park Foundation](#): \$100,000 ... [Internet Archive](#): \$52,000 ... Open Society Foundation: \$40,000 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund: \$40,000 ... craigslist Charitable Fund: \$25,000 ... World Wide Web Foundation: \$11,865 ... Microsoft Corporation: \$5,000 ... Silicon Valley Community Foundation, Edwards Family Fund: \$5,000 ... World Bank: \$5,000 ... GitHub: \$2,500... Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press: \$250.00...

**2015:** Knight Foundation: \$1,242,000 ... [Bloomberg Family Foundations, Inc.](#): \$667,540 ... Michael Bloomberg: \$50,000 ... Hewlett Foundation: \$250,000 ... Ford Foundation: \$150,000 ... [Mott Foundation](#): \$75,000 ... craigslist Charitable Fund: \$50,000 ... Google: \$50,000 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund: \$40,000 ... Open Society Foundations: \$20,000 ... Internet Archive: \$13,000 ... [Microsoft Corporation](#): \$10,000 ... Omidyar Network: \$10,000 ... World Wide Web Foundation: \$8,135 ...

**2016:** Bloomberg Family Foundations, Inc.: \$733,576 ... Ford Foundation: \$150,000 ... craigslist Charitable Fund: \$50,000 ...

**2017:** Bloomberg Family Foundations, Inc.: \$733,576 ... craigslist Charitable Fund: \$50,000..."

► Grants:

► [sunlightfoundation.com/about/grants/](http://sunlightfoundation.com/about/grants/) (accessed: March 25, 2018): "... Centros de los Derechos del Migrante ... Center for Responsive Politics: \$522,838 [and] \$1,200,000 ... National Institute on Money in State Politics: \$19,000 [and] \$1,000,000 [and] \$125,000... Participatory Politics Foundation: \$263,970.00: To continue support for the OpenCongress project. ... MAPLight.org [a lot of money also] ... Center for Public Integrity: \$70,000 ... Center for Media and Democracy [[Sourcewatch](#)]: \$140,000 [and] \$134,177 ... Center for Independent Media ... Center for Democracy and Technology ... OpEdNews ...

WashingtonWatch.com ... CorpWatch (Tides Center): \$80,000 ... Watchdog.net, Inc.: \$72,000 ... Columbia Journalism Review ... OpenTheGovernment.org (Fund for Constitutional Government) ... Mobilize.org ... Public.Resource.org ... Understanding Government ... Knowledge As Power ... Public Justice Foundation of Texas ... OMB Watch: \$150,000.00: To support FedSpending.org... Swing State Project ... Harvard Kennedy School's Science, Technology and Public Policy Program ... National Priorities Project ... Public Accountability Initiative ... [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#): \$15,000.00: To create a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) search tool for their site. ... DemocracyWorks ... [Electronic Privacy Information Center \[EPIC\]](#): \$50,000 ... Internet Archive [Archive.org]: \$5,000.00: To support the preparation of online instructions and other guidance assisting users of the Internet Archive's new TV news research service."

### Stern Family Fund

- ▶ The Stern Family Fund was controlled by Philip Stern, a wealthy Democrat activist who once received a Rockefeller fellowship and was close to Bilderberg steering committee member George Ball. Stern wrote for the Washington Post, New York Times Magazine, [Harper's](#) and Atlantic Monthly magazines. Did commentary for [National Public Radio](#).
- ▶ In 1963, together with James Warburg, a founding financier of the [Institute for Policy Research](#), later also massively financed by foundations as Rockefeller, Ford, Carnegie and Soros.
- ▶ The Stern Family Fund has helped finance [Project Censored](#).
- ▶ June 2, 1992, Washington Post, 'Philip M. Stern, 66, Dies': *"Philip M. Stern, 66, a Washington philanthropist and author whose books included stinging criticisms of congressional campaign financing, the tax code, the legal profession and poverty amid the white marble monuments of Washington, died of brain cancer June 1 at George Washington University Hospital. Mr. Stern also was a former Democratic Party activist who had served as a deputy assistant secretary of state for public affairs in the Kennedy administration. During the 1950s, he was a campaign assistant to Democratic presidential nominee Adlai E. Stevenson, an aide to Rep. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) and Sen. Paul H. Douglas (D-Ill.) and director of research for the Democratic National Committee. As a member of the D.C. delegation to the 1968 Democratic National Convention, he nominated Channing E. Phillips for president, the first black man to be nominated at a major party convention. Mr. Stern was a man of the highest*

*Establishment credentials, and independently wealthy, but he spent much of his life fighting the status quo. As director of family philanthropic foundations, he awarded grants to organizations and individuals trying to bring about social change. "I like to find out-of-the-way people who don't have access to the foundation world," Mr. Stern once said. "I also like to try inventing new ways of solving problems." Among the recipients of his foundation grants was Seymour Hersh, who was given money in 1969 to investigate reports of a massacre of South Vietnamese civilians by U.S. soldiers at the village of Mylai. Hersh's stories on the massacre shocked the nation and the world. Other Stern grantees have included a group of students at Washington's Eastern High School who used the money to organize their own classes in black history in the late 1960s and early 1970s; drug treatment centers; a switchboard for runaways; free medical clinics; and the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington. More recent grantees include the Government Accountability Project, which protects whistleblowers in government and business; Teamsters for a Democratic Union, which campaigned for freedom and openness in the Teamsters Union; the Center for Science in Public Interest, which promoted labeling accuracy in health foods; and the Women's Legal Defense Fund. Last year, the Stern Family Fund distributed about \$650,000 in philanthropic grants, according to Betsy Taylor, its executive director. "Phil always wanted to help the people who didn't have power," Taylor said. "He wanted to make the U.S. political and economic system more equitable. And he never wanted to stop being irreverent." Consumer advocate Ralph Nader called Mr. Stern the "most creative, versatile and persistent philanthropist of our generation." From his father and maternal grandfather, Mr. Stern not only inherited his fortune, but a family tradition of philanthropy. His grandfather was Julius Rosenwald, the former chairman of Sears, Roebuck & Co. whose Rosenwald Foundation gave away \$22 million in a 16-year period, primarily to build schools in the South for black students. His father, Edgar Stern, was one of the youngest presidents of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange at the age of 27. He gave each of his three children money to start their own foundations. Philip Stern was born in New York City and reared in New Orleans. He served in the Navy as a supply and communications officer in the Pacific during World War II, then graduated magna cum laude from Harvard University. He was a reporter and editorial writer for the New Orleans Item newspaper after college, then came to Washington in 1949 on a Rockefeller Fellowship, working in the Department of the Interior and the State Department. He remained in Washington to work on Capitol Hill and for the Democratic Party until 1957 when he*

acquired the Arlington Sun newspaper with a group of associates. The associates included George Ball [Bilderberg], who later served as undersecretary of state in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, and Clayton Fritchey, a syndicated newspaper columnist who later served as a special assistant to Adlai Stevenson when Stevenson was U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. They renamed the paper the Northern Virginia Sun, and for four years before his appointment to the State Department, Mr. Stern was its editor and, for a time, its publisher. Eventually they sold the paper. ... He worked out of an office near Dupont Circle and got around town on a motorscooter, a blue knapsack often slung over his shoulder. ... His most recent book, "The Best Congress Money Can Buy," (1988) was about the influence of PACs on Capitol Hill as a result of their campaign contributions, and also a study of the high cost of running for elective office. ... Other books included "The Great Treasury Raid," (1962) an attack on the tax laws that permitted many giant corporations to pay less in taxes than their lowest-paid employees; "The Shame of a Nation," (1965) essays and photographs on poverty in juxtaposition with the monuments of Washington; and "The Oppenheimer Case," a meticulous account of the anti-communist hysteria that led to the revocation of the security clearance for atomic bomb physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer. In 1980, Mr. Stern wrote "Lawyers on Trial," in which he castigated what he called "the Lawyers Monopoly" for charging excessive fees for routine legal work such as probating an estate or handling real estate transactions. In many such cases, Mr. Stern noted, fees are based on a percentage of the estate or sale and have no relationship to the amount of work involved. He spent several months in 1974 as a special investigative reporter on the life insurance industry for The Washington Post, and he also had written for the New York Times Magazine and for Harper's and Atlantic magazines. He had done commentary for "All Things Considered" on National Public Radio."

### **Surdna Foundation**

- ▶ The Surdna Foundation was founded in 1917 by John Andrus (Andrus is Surdna spelled backwards).
- ▶ [surdna.org/about-the-foundation/mission-and-history.html](http://surdna.org/about-the-foundation/mission-and-history.html) (accessed: February 27, 2016: "The Surdna Foundation was founded in 1917 by John Emory Andrus to pursue a range of philanthropic purposes. John Andrus was born in 1841 in Pleasantville, New York... The son of a Methodist minister, Mr. Andrus was a lay leader of the Methodist Church. In his 60s, he was elected mayor of Yonkers, New York, and then served

*four terms in the U.S. Congress."*

- ▶ [surdna.org/annualreport2010/nonprofitsector.html](http://surdna.org/annualreport2010/nonprofitsector.html) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Columbia University - Graduate School of Journalism. New York, NY. \$50,000. ... Democracy Now! Productions New York, NY. \$50,000. General operating support... Foundation for National Progress/Mother Jones. San Francisco, CA. \$100,000... Foundation for National Progress/Mother Jones. San Francisco, CA. \$75,000... New America Foundation. Washington, DC. \$50,000..."*
- ▶ [surdna.org/annualreport2010/approvedgrants.html](http://surdna.org/annualreport2010/approvedgrants.html) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Bipartisan Policy Center. Washington, DC. \$150,000. ... Brookings Institution. Washington, DC. \$750,000 (3 years). ..."*
- ▶ [surdna.org/annualreport/2009-approved-grants/non-profit-sector.html](http://surdna.org/annualreport/2009-approved-grants/non-profit-sector.html) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Democracy Now! Productions, New York, NY / \$50,000. ... National Public Radio, Washington, DC / \$45,156. ... New America Foundation, Washington, DC / \$100,000."*
- ▶ 2007 Surdna Foundation annual report, pp. 57, 60: *"FOUNDATION FOR NATIONAL PROGRESS, San Francisco, California [Mother Jones] ... \$100,000. ... NEW AMERICA FOUNDATION, Washington, DC. ... (2 years) \$200,000..."*

## Threshold Foundation

- ▶ Part of the [Tides Foundation](http://tidesfoundation.org), located at the same address:
  - ▶ [thresholdfoundation.org/contact-us](http://thresholdfoundation.org/contact-us) (December 10, 2015): *"The Threshold Foundation main office is located in Tides Foundation offices in San Francisco."*
- ▶ Also, Tides Foundation founder Drummond Pike has sat on the board of the Threshold Foundation in the 2005-2010 period:
  - ▶ 2005 annual report, Threshold Foundation, p. 21: *"2005 Board of Directors: ... Drummond Pike, Director."*
  - ▶ 2010 annual report, Threshold Foundation, p. 26: *"2010 Board of Directors: ... Drummond Pike, Director."*
- ▶ Like Tides, Threshold has helped fund a number of questionable Coast to Coast AM-related groups and individuals:
  - ▶ 2003 annual report, Threshold Foundation (part of the Soros/Rockefeller-allied Tides Foundation), p. 17: *"Institute for Cooperation in Space (ICIS)/Center for Psychology And Social Change seeks to transform the war industry into a world-cooperative civil, commercial, entrepreneurial, and military space program. ICIS's initial objective is to ban space-based weaponry. This ban will awaken consciousness and stimulate a peace economy with a new marketplace of jobs and profits based on research and development of clean and safe technology,*



*products, and services applied to solving urgent human, energy, sustainable development and environmental problems, and build a global security system using space technology to enhance world communication and information exchanges on all issues with respect to sacred life. \$6,268 - general support. PO Box 398080, Cambridge, MA 02139."*

- ▶ Coast to Coast AM guest [Bev Harris](#) has received grants in the \$5,000-\$10,000 range from the Tides Foundation and Threshold Foundation, which are very closely allied with the Rockefeller/Ford foundations.
- ▶ The [Palast Investigative Fund](#) has been backed by [The Nation Institute](#), the Threshold Foundation and the obscure [Sustainable Markets Foundation](#) and is supported by other liberal elite elements. 2008 annual report, Threshold Foundation, p. 9: *"Palast Investigative Fund / International Humanities Center Malibu, CA. [www.palastinvestigativefund.org](http://www.palastinvestigativefund.org). Palast Investigative Fund works to uncover voter disenfranchisement in the United States, especially tactics used against voters of color. \$35,000 — Palast Investigative Fund's New Attack on the Right to Vote in the USA."*
- ▶ 2011 annual report, Threshold Foundation, p. 21: *"[Pachamama Alliance](#). Pachamama Alliance preserves the Earth's tropical rainforests by empowering the indigenous people who are its natural custodians and contributes to the creation of a new global vision of equity and sustainability for all. Pachamama's work in the Amazon focuses on strengthening indigenous peoples' ability to powerfully speak and stand for their own rights and interests, through capacity building to empower them to preserve the rainforest and their way of life. \$29,314 — Kapawi Ecolodge Sustainability Overhaul project. San Francisco, CA / [www.pachamama.org](http://www.pachamama.org)"*
- ▶ Other projects financed by Threshold: Laurance Rockefeller's [California Institute of Integral Studies \(CIIS\)](#), Soros' [Drug Policy Alliance](#), Rick Doblin's [Multidisciplinary Association of Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#), [CorpWatch](#), [Democracy Now!](#), [Friends of the Earth](#), Buckminster Fuller Institute, Students for a Free Tibet and the Rudolf Steiner Foundation.

## Tides Foundation

- ▶ Essentially a clearinghouse for major foundations as Soros, Gates, Rockefeller, Ford, Hewlett and others to finance relatively obscure NGOs.
- ▶ Founded in 1976 by Drummond Pike, who used to be an employee of this foundation network, and, more importantly,

Jane Bagley Lehman, a heir to the Reynolds tobacco and Lehman Brothers banking fortune.

- ▶ Came to the forefront in 2011 for its involvement in financing [Occupy Wall Street](#).
- ▶ [tides.org/about/history/](#) (accessed: December 10, 2015): *"Drummond Pike founded Tides Foundation in 1976; the Tides Center in 1996, the Advocacy Fund in 1994, Groundspring.org in 1999; Tides Inc. in 2003, Tides Shared Spaces in 2004; and the Tides Network in 2006. He served as Chief Executive of all until November 2010. Drummond continues to work with and advise a small number of principals on philanthropic and financial matters. ... His service on non-profit boards includes: Island Press, Environmental Working Group, Tides Canada Foundation, Democracy Alliance, JK Irwin Foundation..."*
- ▶ September 30, 2012, Frontpage Magazine (ultraconservative), 'Panicked' Soros Bankrolls Obama Campaign: Did left-wing 'Mother Jones' spike a story revealing the radical mega-funder's true state of mind?: *"The new donations were announced by Soros spokesman Michael Vachon at a luncheon Thursday hosted by the Democracy Alliance, an invitation-only club for radical plutocrats. (Former President Bill Clinton and former House Speaker nancy Pelosi were also in attendance.) Members of the ultra-sective Democracy Alliance have committed to swamping Democrats and president Obama's re-election campaign in an ocean of cash this year. .... The Soros-linked Tides Foundation, founded by Democracy Alliance member Drummond Pike, has kicked in \$126,417 since 2003."*
- ▶ November 3, 2011, Frontpage Magazine (ultraconservative), 'Occupy Wall Street and Soros; Fingerprints Who is funding the neo-communist uprising?': *"According to philanthropy databases, the [Open Society Institute](#) has given \$24.6 million to the Tides network of philanthropies since 1999. Of that total, \$18.2 million went to the Tides Foundation and the remaining \$6.4 million went to the Tides Center which, like the Alliance for Global Justice, serves as a fiscal sponsor for small or new activist groups."*
- ▶ Back in 1976 Tides Foundation founder Drummond associate director of the Youth Project, financed by the Center for Community Change, in turn financed by the Ford Foundation, and later by more than a dozen other key liberal foundations:
  - ▶ [ewg.org/about-us/board-members](#) (accessed: december 16, 2015): *"Director; DRUMMOND PIKE ... Pike founded and served until 2010 as chief executive officer of Tides Network... Prior to founding Tides in 1976, Drummond served as executive director of the Shalan Foundation, an organization dedicated to economic change and environmental sustainability. He co-founded and served as associate director for the Youth Project in Washington,*

D.C."

- ▶ 2010, David Callahan, 'Fortunes of Change: The Rise of the Liberal Rich and the Remaking of America' (digital): *"Tides was founded in 1976 by Drummond Pike, the son of a California investment banker who had fallen in with a group of activist heirs... [Pike was] as associate director of the Youth Project in Washington. The Youth Project had spun out of the Center for Community Change and was set up to channel money from young wealthy donors to progressive groups fighting for social change [just like Tides]."*
- ▶ November/December issue of Poverty & Race journal of the Poverty & Race Research Action Council, 'Director's Report- The Center for Community Change': *"Union leaders, community activists, the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial and a special grant from the Ford Foundation established the Center for Community Change in 1967."*
- ▶ 2012, Richard Magat, 'The Ford Foundation at Work' (digital): *"Thus, the [Ford] Foundation supports the Center for Community Change (\$9.2 million, 1969)..."*
- ▶ [communitychange.org/about/funders/](http://communitychange.org/about/funders/) (accessed: October 25, 2004): *"Institutional Funders. The Center for Community Change is supported by a diverse group of foundations and individuals. Below is a partial list of major institutions that have been critical in supporting and strengthening our efforts. Arca Foundation... Carnegie Corporation of New York... Ford Foundation... HKH [Hochschild] Foundation... Knight Foundation... Mott Foundation... Open Society Institute [Soros]... Packard Foundation... Rockefeller Foundation... Tides Foundation..."*
- ▶ ISGP's *Cult of National Security Trolls*: *"More important than Drummond Pike in the Tides Foundation was Jane Bagley Lehman, a heir to the R.J. Reynolds tobacco fortune who used her money to set up Tides. Lehman served as chairman of Tides from 1976 to 1988. By the 1990s her daughter Susan Lehman Carmichael, served on the board of Tides Center. [140] Jane was married to Orin Lehman, an associate of the Lehman Brothers banking firm and member of the CFR and Century Association who was primarily focused on philanthropy. In the philanthropy business Orin first teamed up with Eleanor Roosevelt in 1947 [141] and from 1975 to 1993, as New York State Parks commissioner, he appears to have had a close working relationship with the Rockefeller family, especially Laurance Rockefeller [142], a name that should be very familiar by now to readers of this paper."*
  - ▶ January 1998, Foundation Watch, 'The Tides Foundation and Center: Unusual Philanthropies Funnel Money to Activist Groups', p. 3: *"When Tides was started in 1976,*

*[Drummond] Pike was still executive director of the Shalan Foundation, a San Francisco-based philanthropy to liberal grassroots organizations. ... Pike founded Tides in 1976 with Jane Bagley Lehman, a granddaughter of R.J. Reynolds who served as the [Tides] Foundation's chairman until her death in 1988. Today Lehman's daughter, Susan Lehman Carmichael, serves on the board of the Tides Center. In 1992 the New York Times noted that Carmichael was a manager for a low-income housing developer in San Jose, California. Wade Rathke, chairman of the Tides Center and a member of the Foundation board... The Foundation's treasurer is Michael Kieschnick, a former economic advisor to California governor Jerry Brown. Kieschnick is a co-founder and president of Pike's Working Assets. He also is president and CEO of Muir Investment Trust and Muir California Tax Free Bond Fund, both offering "socially responsible" investments. Mary Mountcastle, treasurer for the Tides Center, also serves as the president of the North Carolina-based Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, which in 1995 had \$308 million in assets."*

- ▶ [tides.org/i-want-to/increase-my-foundations-impact-capacity](http://tides.org/i-want-to/increase-my-foundations-impact-capacity) (accessed: September 3, 2015): *"In partnership with institutions like The California Endowment, The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, [George Soros'] Open Society Institute, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, [Bill & Melinda] Gates Foundation, Ford Foundation, and many others, we have granted hundreds of millions of dollars."*
- ▶ Grant lists reveal a number of major financial exchanges between Tides and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, the Rockefeller Family Foundation, Hewlett Foundation and the Ford Foundation.
  - ▶ 2004 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Family Fund: \$325,000"*
  - ▶ 2006 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors: \$150,000.00"*.
  - ▶ 2007 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors: \$200,000"*.
  - ▶ 2008 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors: \$200,000"*.
  - ▶ 2009 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors: \$ 400,000"*.
  - ▶ 2010 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Family Fund: 60,000... Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors: 40,000..."*.
  - ▶ 2011 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Family Fund 60000 ... Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors 10000..."*.
  - ▶ 2014 annual grants list of Tides: *"Rockefeller Family Fund \$50,000... Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors \$25,000..."*.

► TOTAL ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATIONS 2004-2014:  
\$1,520,000.

► 2005, annual grants list of Tides: *"Ford Foundation ... \$500,000."*

► 2009, annual grants list of Tides: *"Hewlett Foundation ... \$230,959."*

► 2010, annual grants list of Tides: *"Chatham House ... 5,900."*

► As ISGP's [Cult of National Security Trolls](#) makes clear, some of the Tides funds have found their way to Rockefeller-allied new age scam artists of million dollar radio show Coast to Coast AM, most notably Daniel Sheehan and John Perkins, but also a few others.

► [tides.org/about/history/](http://tides.org/about/history/) (accessed: December 10, 2015): *"In 1976, Tides was founded by Drummond Pike, one of the original social entrepreneurs; and over the years the organization has evolved from a great idea to one of the top 100 social sector organizations in the United States. Tides Foundation was started out of a need to facilitate the giving of philanthropists who were concerned with building a better future for individuals and communities all over the world. ... To date, Tides has managed project and grantmaking activities totaling more than \$2 billion."*

► [discoverthenetworks.org/funderProfile.asp?fndid=5184](http://discoverthenetworks.org/funderProfile.asp?fndid=5184) (accessed: November 25, 2015): *"Immediately after the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, Tides formed a '9/11 Fund' to advocate a 'peaceful national response.' Tides later replaced the 9/11 Fund with the 'Democratic Justice Fund,' which was financed in large measure by the Open Society Institute of George Soros, who has donated more than \$7 million to Tides over the years. Reciprocally, the Tides Foundation is a major funder of the Shadow Party, a George Soros-conceived nationwide network of several dozen unions, non-profit activist groups, and think tanks whose agendas are ideologically to the left, and which are engaged in campaigning for the Democrats. ... Recent recipients of Tides Foundation grants include: the ACORN Institute; the AdBusters Media Foundation; ... the Pacifica Foundation..."*

► September 22, 2008, Newsmax, 'Obama, Voter Fraud & Mortgage Meltdown': *"'I've been fighting alongside ACORN on issues you care about my entire career. Even before I was an elected official, when I ran Project Vote voter registration drive in Illinois, ACORN was smack dab in the middle of it, and appreciate your work." -- Barack Obama, Speech to ACORN, November 2007. ... Rathke had been active in Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), known for its violence, and in the domestic terrorist group, the Weathermen, which bombed government offices. William Ayers and his wife Benadine Dohrn, Chicago friends of Obama, also were members of the SDS and the Weathermen. Obama chaired the board of the*

*Chicago Annenberg Challenge, funded by a grant obtained by Ayers. For six years, Obama and Ayers worked closely on ... Cloward and Piven were joined over the years by nouveau billionaires led by George Soros. Through his Democracy Alliance, they funded ACORN and Soros groups such as America Votes and Center for Community Change. ... Incidentally, the Tides Foundation, essentially a money-laundering outfit for the radical left, almost certainly pays Gertz's salary. Its head, Drummond Pike, a leftover Communist-loving peacenik from the 1960s, is treasurer of the Democracy Alliance, a group of socialist billionaires... Soros and Media Matters founder David Brock are close friends who have collaborated on many projects. Pike paid off ACORN out of his own pocket to make a million-dollar embezzlement scandal go away. Pike's close friend is Wade Rathke - a some time Tides board member - who covered up his brother Dale's embezzlement at ACORN for eight years."*

### **Turner Foundation**

- ▶ Set up by Ted Turner, the billionaire owner of CNN, one of the most new age and devoted environmentalists. His wife from 1991-2001, [Jane Fonda](#), has always been deeply involved in the foundation. By the 2000s Fonda had become a very close associate of former CIA-employed activist Gloria Steinem in [feminist groups](#) financed by [George Soros](#), the [Ford Foundation](#) and similar foundations.
  - ▶ June 8, 2000, Victoria Advocate, 'Honored for a cause': *"A university decided to honor Ted Turner and Jane Fonda jointly... [The] Turner Foundation provides funds for research on ecology and population issues. Fonda is the vice president of the foundation."*
- ▶ The Turner Foundation had an endowment of \$350 million 2001, with Turner pumping an additional \$1 billion in his United Nations Foundation.
- ▶ Ted Turner created the Captain Planet cartoon of the early 1990s and controls the related [Captain Planet Foundation](#).
- ▶ Ted Turner and his foundation have been involved in or financed the [Sierra Club](#), [Friends of the Earth](#), [Greenpeace](#), the [Natural Resources Defense Council](#), the [World Resources Institute](#), the [Ruckus Society](#), the [State of the World Forum](#), the [Institute for Policy Studies](#), the [Center for Media and Democracy](#), and other groups.
- ▶ In 1998 Ted Turner founded the United Nations Foundation with a \$1 billion gift and help from the new age Maurice Strong (also of the [1001 Club](#), [Institute for Noetic Sciences](#), [State of the World Forum](#)) and Emma Rothschild, a half-sister of Lord Jacob Rothschild:

- ▶ [unfoundation.org/about/board.cfm](http://unfoundation.org/about/board.cfm) (accessed: May 29, 2000): *"R.E. [Ted] Turner [chair] ... Emma Rothschild ... Maurice Strong ... Muhammad Yunus..."*
- ▶ [unfoundation.org/who-we-are/board/](http://unfoundation.org/who-we-are/board/) (accessed: September 5, 2015): *"R.E. [Ted] Turner (U.S.A.) ... Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah (Jordan) ... Kofi Annan (Ghana) ... Igor Ivanov (Russia) ... Emma Rothschild (U.K.) ... Muhammad Yunus (Bangladesh) ..."*
- ▶ Most likely Ted Turner secretly financed the Georgia Guidestones, located 90 miles east of Atlanta, Georgia, where the headquarters of CNN is located and Ted Turner maintained/maintains his main residence, apart from his numerous enormous ranches.
- ▶ Ted Turner's daughter Laura could be found at the Environmental Working Group with [Tides Foundation](#) founder Drummond Pike:
  - ▶ [ewg.org/about-us/board-members](http://ewg.org/about-us/board-members) (accessed: december 16, 2015): *"Director; DRUMMOND PIKE ... LAURA TURNER SEYDEL ... Laura is the chairperson of the [Captain Planet Foundation](#) [founded by her father, Ted Turner]. ... Laura serves on the board of her family's foundations: the Turner Foundation, Jane Smith Turner Foundation... [She's on] the board of directors of the Rotary Club of Downtown Atlanta."* ALICIA WITTINK is the former director of the Environmental Working Group who also serves/served as a trustee of the Park Foundation (conservation financier) and Mother Jones.

## Walton Family Foundation

- ▶ Foundation of the family behind Walmart, the richest in the world with a combined fortune of roughly \$170 billion anno 2019. Endowment of roughly \$2.63 billion in 2015 (not counted in this oversight).
- ▶ Not known to be particularly keen on charity/policy influencing:
  - ▶ February 28, 2016, [waltonfamilyfoundation.org](http://waltonfamilyfoundation.org), '3rd Generation of Walton Family Makes Sharp Turn in Giving': *"The Waltons also take enormous heat for giving relatively little in relation to their wealth. Last year, for example, they held more than 1.4 billion shares of Walmart stock in Walton Enterprises, a company formed to manage the family fortune. Annual dividend payments on those shares would total more than \$2.77 billion in 2015, an amount greater than the foundation's assets of \$2.63 billion."*
- ▶ Considered neither "liberal CIA" or "conservative CIA" by ISGP. Occasionally donates to conservative groups, but mainly to



(very safe, non-political) domestic environmental and education issues:

- ▶ [conservativetransparency.org/donor/walton-family-foundation/](https://conservativetransparency.org/donor/walton-family-foundation/) (accessed: February 26, 2019): "*[Conservative:] 2012: ... American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research: \$182,103 [and] \$40,000. ... Barry Goldwater Institute for Public Policy Research: \$100,000. ... George W. Bush Foundation: \$159,000. ... Hoover Institution Stanford University \$151,334 [and] \$10,000. ... [conservative:] Philanthropy Roundtable: \$115,000... [\"Liberal CIA\"] National Public Radio: \$1,400,000 ... Nature Conservancy Inc. [tons] ... World Resources Institute \$75,000. ... World Wildlife Fund \$247,500 [and] \$273,549 [and] \$420,394 ... New Venture Fund: \$2,166,199 [and] \$470,000. ... Oxfam America Inc.: \$50,000 [and] \$225,000... [etc.]*"

### Zuckerberg Initiative / Facebook

- ▶ The Chan Zuckerberg Initiative is the "charitable" arm of Facebook, the top social media website founded in 2004 by Caligula look-alike and soon-to-be multi-billionaire Mark Zuckerberg.
- ▶ Zuckerberg, previously a student at the super-elite boarding school Phillips Exeter Academy (where several Rockefellers and friends went), founded Facebook at Harvard, with a test version of Facebook being ran at a number of Eastern Establishment universities and colleges. His first investor was Peter Thiel, a soon-to-be Bilderberg steering committee member whose Palantir firm already was backed by the CIA and DOD elite. To compare, Google was founded at Stanford, with the two founders soon putting the much older and connected Eric Schmidt in charge. Like Thiel, Schmidt soon became a Bilderberg steering committee member. Schmidt, Thiel, Zuckerberg and the Google founders are all regulars at the [Sun Valley Meetings](#).
- ▶ The Chan Zuckerberg Initiative is structured as an LLC, the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative can make political donations, lobby lawmakers and invest in businesses for profit. The sum it can spent, falls together with the company's profits.
- ▶ Zuckerberg doesn't show up much in the "liberal CIA" network, but most definitely is a major Third World immigration propagandist through his immigration reform group [FWD.us](#) and related public speeches. Starting in 2017, he also involved Facebook in the big foundation-backed anti-"fake news" "fact checking" network of the [Poynter Institute](#).
  - ▶ May 31, 2016, Washington Post, 'Tech billionaires like Democrats more than Republicans. Here's why.' (Reuters

video of a Zuckerberg speech): *"A I travel around the world, I'm starting to see people and nations turning inward against this idea of a connected world and a global community. I hear fearful voices for building walls and distancing people they label as others. For blocking free expression, for reducing immigration, for slowing trade, and in some cases around the world even for cutting access to the internet. It takes courage to take hope over fear, to say that we can build something and make it better than it has ever been before."*

- ▶ February 25, 2016, The Blaze, 'Facebook Employees Defy CEO's Warning, Replace 'Black Lives Matter' With 'All Lives Matter' — Read Mark Zuckerberg's Leaked Response': *"Some Facebook employees have been crossing out the phrase "Black Lives Matter" on the walls in order to replace it with the phrase "All Lives Matter" at the company's Menlo Park, California, office. ... Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg wrote that he considers the behavior "malicious." ...*

*Zuckerberg wrote. "Despite my clear communication at Q&A last week that this was unacceptable, and messages from several other leaders from across the company, this has happened again." ... Two percent of Facebook's employees are African-American."*

- ▶ December 9, 2015, Time magazine, 'Mark Zuckerberg Offers Support to Muslims in Facebook Post'.
- ▶ For its anti-"fake news" "fact-checking" network, Facebook, similar to basically all other "fact-checking" groups out there, became part of the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) of the big foundation-funded [Poynter Institute](#).
- ▶ March 23, 2017, Bart Cammaerts (associate professor LSE who used to advise [Elio Di Rupo, the Belgian prime minister accused of child abuse](#)) for The Independent, 'Facebook's fake news fact-checking alert will be the saviour of the mainstream media; Social media's battle against fake news will challenge the vile attempts by populists to position the mainstream media as dishonest and journalists as part and parcel of the elite': *"Yesterday Facebook started to roll out a fake news alert which will flag news stories that are disputed by fact-checkers. These fact-checkers need to be official signatories of the code of principles of the [Poynter Institute's] International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN)."*
- ▶ Facebook was targeted by the STope hate for Profit campaign in mid 2020, backed by countless major corporations:
  - ▶ June 29, 2020, Russia Today, 'What is the real goal of the 'Stop Hate for Profit' campaign against Facebook?': *"Zuckerberg has stubbornly refused to fact-check political advertising on his platform, even as Facebook subjects all non-politicians' speech to microscopic*

*examination by ideological crusaders loaded down with their own baggage and conflicts of interest...*

*Stop Hate for Profit's website [against Facebook] is operated by the Anti-Defamation League... Listed co-sponsors of the campaign include activist organizations Color of Change, the National Hispanic Media Coalition, and ... Free Press... All three of the aforementioned groups have at least one common financial backer: billionaire currency speculator George Soros' Open Society Foundations. Soros has made no secret of the fact that he wants Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg out of the top position, penning a series of increasingly unhinged op-eds earlier this year accusing the social media tycoon of colluding with US President Donald Trump to get the latter re-elected. ...*

*This isn't the first time these same forces have united to demand Facebook preemptively shut down speech they don't like under the guise of fighting "hate." In 2018, the Southern Poverty Law Center... The SPLC's partners in this endeavor? Color of Change, Free Press, and the National Hispanic Media Coalition. ...*

*Ironically, some of the participants don't appear to actually be pulling their ads from Facebook at all, as Gizmodo discovered last week. Companies eager to be seen as taking a stand against Facebook have pulled their most obvious ads, but apparently left in place advertising deals through the Facebook Audience Network, which displays ads targeted based on Facebook activity across third-party apps, or continue to advertise with Facebook subsidiary Instagram."*

- ▶ July 2, 2020, CNN, 'Facebook boycott: View the list of companies pulling ads': "Ford ... Honda ... HP ... Microsoft ... Pfizer ... Sony ... Starbucks ... Unilever ... Levi Strauss ... Verizon ... The North Face ... Puma ... Adidas ... Lego ... Ben & Jerry ... Coca-Cola ... Dunkin' ... Hershey's..."

## **Defunct media**

### **Picture Magazine (PM)**

- ▶ Picture Magazine, better known as PM, was founded by Ralph Ingersoll and existed from June 1940 to June 1948. The paper averaged about 165,000 readers over its lifetime, about 60,000 to little to break-even.
- ▶ PM was a (hardline) leftist, strongly-pro-WWII-intervention magazine, published in New York City. PM did not allow corporate advertizing and even attacked certain big business interests of profiting from business with the Nazis, making it

look more than a little anti-establishment.

- First edition, top caption: 'Nazi Troops Marching into Paris'. In the text: *"We are against people [the Nazis] who push other people around in this country or abroad."*
- January/February 2012, Columbia Journalism Review, 'When the 99% Had a Paper; The brief, wondrous life of PM': *"With Field's money and Ingersoll's ideas, PM made quite a splash. Reporters like I.F. Stone wrote hard-hitting exposés, revealing, among other things, how US companies shipped oil to Hitler's Germany through Franco's Spain. The paper also reported that the Red Cross segregated blood donations by race, and it took on big business, isolationist Charles Lindbergh, and the Catholic Church. ... Ernest Hemingway [also contributed]..."*

*The other conclusion was that because Hitler was so dangerous, any tactic in opposing him was acceptable. Indeed, years before Joe McCarthy's Red Scare, PM's writers led a disturbingly similar witchhunt for supporters of Hitler, using many of the same deplorable tactics: the big accusation based on little evidence; guilt by association; the equation of dissent with treason; disregard for civil liberties; demands that suspects rat out friends and acquaintances. ...*

*Eventually, after losing at least \$4 million on PM, Field insisted on a new approach. ...*

*Because there were no ads, PM had to be priced higher than the other dozen or so dailies in the city. Still, it had attracted more than 150,000 charter subscribers, and vendors at newsstands across the city were waiting. Months of pre-launch hype in other publications ensured that PM would not be overlooked; as the trucks rolled out, customers swarmed them, forcing the drivers to stop and sell copies out the back. People were offering quarters for a paper priced at a nickel. By day's end, the entire press run—some 450,000 copies—was gone.*

*The only problem was that the charter subscribers, the ones who were going to sustain the paper until it was profitable, never got copies of that first edition. The PM circulation manager lost the postcards with their names and addresses. This was typical of the way things went at PM. During the eight years it was published, it was a hell of a newspaper but a disaster as a business."*

- Instead of relying on advertizers, PM relied on a number of founding investors. These turn out to be very elitist, with the magazine's creation falling in line with the [Anglo-American establishment's reversal on support for Hitler](#), this after peace deals could not be made (due to FDR and British public opinion) and Hitler was forced to secure Western Europe first

before invading communist Russia and Eastern Europe, his main objective (his "Drang nach Osten").

- ▶ September 1, 1985, Columbia Journalism Review, 'Books: The impossible dream: Ralph Ingersoll': *"On the strength of these ideas he rounded up \$1.5 million from the likes of Sears, Roebuck heiress Marion Stern, Wall Street investment banker John Loeb ... Marshall Field 3rd [and his Field Foundation, later not entirely unconnected to the CIA; CFR 1926-; financier of Saul Alinsky 1940-], ambassador Chester Bowles [b. 1901; founder of Benton & Bowles advertising agency with future senator William Benton in 1929; CFR 1954-], chewing-gum manufacturer Philip Wrigley, and Standard Oil heir [Pilgrims Society vice president and Cold War CIA asset] John Hay Whitney [Pilgrims Society since at least 1933-; CFR 1945-]. Not exactly a collection of bomb-throwers."*
- ▶ December 18, 1940, Congressional Record, p. 6926, 'The State of the Union -- The Strange Case Of PM (By Eugene Lyons)': *"A newspaper backed by money drawn from Sears Roebuck, A & P, Chrysler Motors, Standard Oil, Wrigley Chewing Gum, Westinghouse Electric, Marshall Field, etc.--loaded with Stalin's past and present buddies--and in its initial weeks of publishing following substantially the current "party line". Such is the strange case of PM. ...*  
*The ballyboo around the birth of PM has not canceled out the mystery of its conception and gestation. ... And article in The Nation, friendly to PM, alludes to the mystery but shies away in a hurry. "It's no deep secret," it states "that a number of Communists and fellow travelers have been given places on the staff." It's "more than an average number" and "can't be explained away as a coincidence.""*
- ▶ May 20, 2008, New York Times, 'Huntington Hartford, A. & P. Heir, Dies at 97' (Huntington Hartford II: 1911-2008): *"In 1940, Mr. Hartford tried being a reporter for the New York newspaper PM, after putting up \$100,000 to help get the paper started. If nothing else, the experience produced one of the all-time great excuses for missing deadline: he once sailed his yacht to cover an assignment on Long Island, and upon returning to the city could find no place to tie up and come ashore with the story. ...*  
*Mr. Hartford, a grandson of a principal founder of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, was treated like a prince as a boy, indulged by his mother and a staff of servants and eventually provided with a living of about \$1.5 million a year. Not content merely to be rich, he longed to be a writer and, more than that, an arbiter of culture and a master builder..."*
- ▶ December 18, 1940, Congressional Record, p. 6926, 'Who

is James Wechsler and What Is PM? Remarks of Hon. E. E. Cox of Georgia: *"Mr. COX: Mr. Speaker, the newspaper PM published in New York, has seemingly engaged the services of one Mr. James Wechsler to flyspeck Members of Congress. ... Mr. Wechsler is a contributor to the Young Communist Review. He is the author of the Workers Library Publishers, the official publishing house of the Communist Party in America. He has been a contributor to Champion, official publication of the Young Communist League, and at one time was a member of its editorial board. ... In March of present year he signed [a] letter protesting [a] ban on Communists in American Civil Liberties Union. ... He has spoken to the Communist American Student Union. ... In 1936 he was a member of the Communist Party campaign committee..."*

Wechsler was national editor of PM 1942-1946. Already around 1939 he took a trip to the Soviet Union and became a virulent opponent of Stalin. Wechsler was put in charge of both the news and editorial pages of the New York Post in 1949, from where he became a virulent critic of McCarthyism and anything conservative, including Eisenhower's vice president, Richard Nixon. December 10, 1957, Eleanor Roosevelt diary: *"Actually I feel that I owe this honor to the New York Post and specifically to Mrs. Dorothy Schiff and Mr. James Wechsler, who suggested that I take this trip."*

- ▶ Field only owned 13%, but when other investors started to panic when circulation dwindled in late 1940, Field bought out all other investors. He sunk in millions.
- ▶ The Yale-educated Ingersoll, as Henry Luce's golden boy, was elite himself:
  - ▶ September 1, 1985, Columbia Journalism Review, 'Books: The impossible dream: Ralph Ingersoll': *"Ingersoll served as managing editor of The New Yorker ... leaving it in 1930 to become managing editor of Fortune, a pioneering job he did so well that Henry Robinson Luce promoted him to general manager for all of Time Inc. From that executive perch Ingersoll helped create ... the picture magazine Life. ...*

*No wonder that in 1937 Luce took his wunderkind out to lunch at the Ritz Carlton Hotel and offered him a million dollars in Time Inc. stock if Ingersoll would sign on to do his thing for another five years. Ingersoll, at the ripe age of thirty-six, turned down the offer, although he agreed to stay on for a while at \$45,000 a year (a handsome sum at that time; Luce was paying himself \$50,000).*

*The reason Ingersoll declined a long-term commitment was that he was possessed by the dream of starting his own daily newspaper -- one that would break with stuffy*

*traditions... [his upcoming] newspaper PM."*

- ▶ Both Ingersoll and Marshall Field III were psycho-analyzed in the mid 1930s by Dr. Gregory Zilboorg, who also analyzed Edward M.M. Warburg and James P. Warburg. Zilboorg would be among the contributors to PM.
- ▶ Ingersoll later claimed his newspaper perished, because Marshall Field III wasn't paying attention to it anymore. This is quite questionable, because Field's Chicago Sun was specifically founded six months after PM in coordination with FDR to counter Robert McCormick's Chicago Tribune, which was virulently anti-FDR and pro-isolationist. Already starting in 1940, Field became the seed financier of Saul Alinsky's Industrial Areas Foundation, arguably a ploy to keep the impoverished masses out of the hands of the communists and the fascists. In other words, PM served a purpose to the elites. In addition, Field started focusing on the Sun in late 1941, while PM kept losing money for another 7 years, despite receiving plenty of additional funds from Field (over \$4 million).
- ▶ June 21, 1966, memo from Yale-educated PM founder Ralph Ingersoll: *"Before the end of the War it was actually operating in the black.... In my opinion at the time and these 20 years later-PM's death is most soundly attributable to a sustained and well-organized plot originating amongst Field's friends and associates in the business world who were alienated by Field's loyalty to PM and to me. The hostility was there from the beginning; the plot came together under the auspices of a man named Harry Cushing who was a retainer of Field's. The principal and successful offensive of this group was that it had as its objective Field's distraction from PM by persuading him to start the Sun in Chicago. Once they committed Field to the Sun venture, the end was inevitable. I can diagram it for you but merely put it on record here."*

## **Der Monat**

- ▶ A U.S.-backed German magazine founded by Melvin J. Lasky in 1948. The magazine was airlifted into Berlin during the 1948 Soviet blockade. Its purpose was to support U.S. foreign policy and win over German intellectuals views that were socially progressive but anti-communist. Der Monat continued as a prominent highbrow Germanophone journal, incorporating essays and articles from many Western European and North America intellectuals as well as dissidents from the Eastern Bloc.
- ▶ Melvin J. Lasky: German correspondent for CIA-backed magazines the New Leader and the Partisan Review. Founder



of the CIA/Ford Foundation-backed *Der Monat* in 1948. Editor of the CIA-backed *Encounter* magazine 1958-1991. His sister Joyce Lasky Reed served as director of European affairs at the American Enterprise Institute.

- ▶ 1999, Frances Stonor Saunders, 'Who Paid the Piper? The CIA and the Cultural Cold War', p. 140: *"Perspectives never lived up to these expectations. Irving Kristol referred to it as 'that miserable Ford Foundation journal' (4). In the wake of its failure, the Ford Foundation was easily persuaded to take over sponsorship of Lasky's Der Monat. Set up under Lucius Clay's backing in October 1948, and financed through the 'Confidential Fund' of the American High Commission, Der Monat's official auspices strained its claims to be independent. Lasky longed to replace this subsidy and, with the help of Shepard Stone, a foundation executive who had worked under Clay in Germany, he finally secured a grant from the Ford Foundation, declaring in the October 1954 issue, 'From now on we are absolutely and completely free and independent.'"*

## Perspectives USA

- ▶ U.S. magazine published in Europe from 1952 to 1956 with financing from the Ford Foundation.
- ▶ 1999, Frances Stonor Saunders, 'Who Paid the Piper? The CIA and the Cultural Cold War', pp. 139-140: *"One of the Ford Foundation's first post-war ventures into international cultural diplomacy was the launch in 1952 of the Intercultural Publications programme under James Laughlin, the publisher of the New Directions series (which published George Orwell and Henry Miller), and a revered custodian of the interests of the avant-garde. With an initial grant of \$500,000, Laughlin launched the magazine Perspectives, which was targeted at the non-Communist Left in France, England, Italy, and Germany (and published in all those languages). Its aim, he emphasized, was not 'so much to defeat the leftist intellectuals in dialectical combat as to lure them away from their positions by aesthetic and rational persuasion'. Further, it would 'promote peace by increasing respect for America's non-materialistic achievements among intellectuals abroad' (2).*

*Its board packed with cultural Cold Warriors, the Intercultural Publications programme also targeted those American intellectuals who felt their work was 'undermined by the prevailing stereotype of America as a mass-cult hell'. Malcolm Cowley was an early supporter of Perspectives, which offered a version of America far removed from 'movies, hardboiled detective stories, comic books, and magazines in which there*

*is more advertising than text'. One academic, Perry Miller, argued that 'no propaganda on the American way should be included; that omission will, in itself, become the most important element of propaganda, in the best sense' (3).*

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## Ramparts

- ▶ New left magazine of the 1960s that campaigned against the Vietnam War and was skeptical of the JFK assassination. even damaged the CIA with its expose that the Agency was using the National Student Association to recruit agents. Curiously, key editors of Ramparts switched from being left-wing progressives to key ultra-right neoconservatives. Today David Horowitz is among a tiny few ultraright editors paying attention to the Tides Foundation (but certainly not enough).
- ▶ New left editors of Ramparts who, strangely, turned ultra-right neocon in the 1980s:
  - ▶ **Peter Collier:** Ramparts editor 1969-1972. Turned to the ultra-right after this, together with long-time collaborator and fellow Ramparts editor David Horowitz, with whom he founded the "conservative CIA"-funded David Horowitz Freedom Center in 1988. 1990s and beyond: Co-organizer of the Second Thoughts conferences with Horowitz which were about former Leftists who turned to the Right. Editor of the World Affairs Journal, together with Christopher Hitchens and raging neocons Joshua Muravchik and Robert Kagan.
  - ▶ **David Horowitz:** Son of two Jewish-American Communist Party members. Educated at Columbia University and UCLA Berkeley. Editor of Ramparts 1969-1975, succeeding Hickel. Turned to the ultra-right after this. Together with Collier, Horowitz wrote the books *The Rockefellers: An American Dynasty*, *The Kennedys: An American Drama*, and *The Fords: An American Epic*.

Together with Collier, in 1988 the founder of the "conservative CIA"-funded ([Olin](#), [Scaife](#), [Bradley](#), etc.) [David Horowitz Freedom Center](#) and the online magazine Frontpage Magazine, which today does the most hard-hitting exposes of Soros and allied New Left liberals available anywhere. Editors, columnists and contributors to Front Page Magazine include raging neocons as Ann Coulter, Charles Krauthammer, Michael

Reagan, Daniel Pipes and Robert Spencer, as well as Alan Dershowitz, the Jeffrey Epstein lawyer (and Rothschild friend) also accused of child abuse.

Collaborator of Christopher Hitchens since the 1990s. Promoted a boycott of European goods for the opposition of Germany, France and Belgium to the Iraq War. Horowitz more recent books include *The Anti-Chomsky Reader* (2004; with Collier), *Liberal Racism and How the Left Undermined America's Security*. Runs Students for Academic Freedom, which attempts to make college campuses more conservative.

- **Sol Stern:** Studied at City College of New York, the University of Iowa, and UCLA Berkeley. His first article for Ramparts was in 1967 and entitled, *A Short Account of International Student Politics and the Cold War With Particular Reference to the NSA, CIA, etc.* It made the (correct) accusation that the CIA had supported the National Student Association. Anti-Vietnam War protester. Today can be found at the conservative/neoconservative Manhattan Institute.

[manhattan-institute.org/html/stern\\_s.htm](http://manhattan-institute.org/html/stern_s.htm) (accessed: November 15, 2015): *"Sol Stern is a contributing editor of City Journal and a Manhattan Institute senior fellow. During 1966–72, he was an editor and staff writer for Ramparts magazine. Stern spent the next 12 years as a freelance writer and editor. From 1985 to 1994, he was director of issues, press secretary, and senior policy advisor in the Office of the City Council President of New York. In 1994, Stern was appointed executive director of a New York State commission on juvenile-justice reform. Stern's writings on education helped shape New York City's education reform movement. He is the author of Breaking Free: Public School Lessons and the Imperative of School Choice (2003). His articles have appeared in the Wall Street Journal, New York Times Magazine, Commentary, The New Republic, New York Daily News, Newsday, Village Voice, New York, Sports Illustrated, and New Statesman. Stern holds a B.A. from the City College of New York and an M.A. in political science from the University of Iowa."*

- Jann Wenner, the later founder of [Rolling Stone](#) magazine, was part a Ramparts contributor. So was [Noam Chomsky](#).
- Sen. John DeCamp, 'The Franklin Cover-Up,' second edition, p. 380 (Feb. 2006 edition): *"[My close friend CIA director Bill] Colby told the truth again in December 1987, when he and I,*

*and Henry Kissinger, and a couple of dozen prominent Americans, French, British, North Vietnamese, and former South Vietnamese leaders and journalists (Adm. James Stockdale [Gulf on Tonkin incident pilot]; Col. Harry Summers, Jr.; George Will; Al Santoli; Jean-Louis Arnaud; Ernesto Betancourt; Jacques Chaban-Delmas; Peter Collier; Sir James Goldsmith; Douglas Pike; Lam Ngoc Diep; Robert Komer; Olivier Todd; Nguyen Ngoc Quy; David Horowitz; Elliott Abrams; Tran Van Tong, to name a few) made our way to Paris, for three days, to sit around the very same table at which the Paris Peace Talks had been conducted 15 years earlier. There we all conducted our own International Conference on the Vietnam War. Though not heavily reported in the U.S., in the rest of the world the Conference was heralded as the first real truth session on what happened in Vietnam, on both sides, and why we ended up where we did."*

## CounterSpy

- ▶ More research needed, as the ties between IPS, CNSS, CO-5 and CounterSpy are still somewhat obscure.
- ▶ Organizing Committee for the Fifth Estate (CO-5): founded in 1973 by the [Institute for Policy Studies](#) (IPS) and part of its Center for National Security Studies (CNSS). IPS has always been massively financed by foundations as Ford, Soros, Rockefeller, Tides, etc. CO-5 published Philip Agee's controversial anti-CIA, anti-death squad magazine CounterSpy, published from 1973 to 1984. In 1975 issue Agee first began publishing names of CIA officers around the world. In 1978 Agee also founded [CovertAction Information Bulletin](#), which was published until 2005. In 1992 the magazine was renamed [CovertAction Quarterly](#).
- ▶ Center for National Security Studies, founded in 1974:
  - ▶ Robert Borosage (founding director 1974-1975, advisory board after that; later [Soros agent](#)) | Morton Halperin (director 1975-1992; advisory board, including chair, since then; later [Soros agent](#)) | Peter Weiss (advisory board 1970s-1980s while IPS trustee). Board anno Nov. 2015: Kate Martin (director of litigation 1988-1992; director 1992-) | Nancy Soderberg (vice chair; former National Security Council staffer; vice president Soros' ICG) | Vivian Schiller (chief digital officer NBC; president NPR; senior vice president NY Times and Discovery Channel) | Gen. William Smith (deputy commander NATO; president IDA).
  - ▶ 1979, John Marks, 'The Search for the Manchurian Candidate', Author's Note: *"This book has grown out of the 16,000 pages of documents that the CIA released to*

me under the Freedom of Information Act. ... From the documentary base, I was able to expand my knowledge through interviews and readings in the behavioral sciences. Nevertheless, the final result is not the whole story of the CIA's attack on the mind. Only a few insiders could have written that, and they choose to remain silent. I have done the best I can to make the book as accurate as possible, but I have been hampered by the refusal of most of the principal characters to be interviewed and by the CIA's destruction in 1973 of many of the key documents. ... The Center for National Security Studies [part of the elite-funded [Institute for Policy Studies](#)], under my good friend [future [George Soros](#) agent] Robert Borosage, provided physical support and research aid, and I would like to express my appreciation. My thanks also to [future [George Soros](#) agent] Morton Halperin who continued the support when he became director of the Center. ... I must acknowledge that the system worked almost not at all during the first six months of my three-year Freedom of Information struggle. Then in late 1975, Joseph Petrillo and Timothy Sullivan, two skilled and energetic lawyers with the firm of Fried, Frank, Shriver, Harris and Kampelman, entered the case. I had the distinct impression that the government attorneys took me much more seriously when my requests for documents started arriving on stationery with all those prominent partners at the top. An author should not need lawyers to write a book, but I would have had great difficulty without mine. ... My sister, Dr. Patricia Greenfield, did excellent work on the CIA's interface with academia and on the Personality Assessment System. ... There has been a whole galaxy of people who have provided specialized help, and I would like to thank them all: ... Humphrey Osmond ... Bill Richards ... Dr. John Cavanagh [founding fellow of the Transnational Institute (TNI), the Amsterdam branch of the [Institute for Policy Studies](#), in 1973; executive director of IPS since 1998; director and president of the elite-funded [International Forum on Globalization](#)], and Senator James Abourezk and his staff."

- September 25, 2013, The Nation, 'Happy 50th Anniversary, IPS!': "Alongside its development of critical thinking, IPS [[Institute for Policy Studies](#)]... helped provide initial support for [Mother Jones](#) magazine. Susan George became a leader of the global movement against the global trade regime. Roger Wilkins sparked the Free South Africa Movement. Robert Borosage [of IPS] founded the [Center for National Security Studies](#) and the Campaign for America's Future."
- [cnss.org/pages/staff.html](http://cnss.org/pages/staff.html) (accessed: December 12, 2015): "Kate Martin joined the Center in 1988 as Director of its

Litigation Project. She has served as Director of the Center since 1992, following the departure of Morton H. Halperin. Ms. Martin has taught National Security as a Professional Lecturer at George Washington University Law School and Strategic Intelligence and Public Policy at Georgetown University Law School. She also served as general counsel to the [National Security Archive](#), a research library located at George Washington University from 1995 to 2001. ... She is a member of the Liberty and Security Initiative of the Constitution Project."

- [cnss.org/pages/board-of-directors.html](http://cnss.org/pages/board-of-directors.html) (accessed: December 12, 2015): "The Center for National Security Studies is a project of the [elite-backed] [National Security Archive Fund, Inc.](#)"

### Covert Action Quarterly

- In 1978 Agee co-founded CovertAction Information Bulletin, which was published until 2005. In 1992 the magazine was renamed CovertAction Quarterly. The magazine was later published by the Institute for Media Analysis, founded in 1986.
- January 10, 2008, NY Times, Philip Agee, 72, Is Dead; Exposed Other C.I.A. Officers: *"His 1975 book, 'Inside the Company: CIA Diary,' infuriated American officials by identifying about 250 officers, front companies and foreign agents working for the United States. His example inspired several more books and magazines, including **Covert Action Information Bulletin**, written by close associates and sometimes with Mr. Agee's help, which published the names and often the addresses of hundreds more agency officers working under cover around the world. The exposés of Mr. Agee and others led Congress to pass the Intelligence Identities Protection Act of 1982, which made it a crime to intentionally reveal the identity of a covert intelligence officer. An investigation of the possible violation of that law in 2003 after Valerie Wilson was named as a C.I.A. officer led to the perjury conviction last year of I. Lewis Libby, Vice President Dick Cheney's former chief of staff. "Phil Agee was really the first person to do whistle-blowing on the C.I.A. on the grand scale," said **William H. Schaap, a New York lawyer and old friend who worked with him on anti-C.I.A. projects.** "He blew the whistle on hundreds and hundreds of undercover operations." What Mr. Agee and his political allies saw as a moral imperative, his former colleagues at the intelligence agency saw as reckless and venal betrayal. He was accused of working with the Soviet K.G.B. and Cuban intelligence against the agency, though as a fellow traveler rather than as a formal agent. "You can package it any way*

you want — the simple reality is he defected to the enemy during the cold war," said Frank R. Anderson, 65, who worked as a clandestine officer for the C.I.A. abroad from 1968 to 1995. "He did everything he could to endanger his colleagues and fellow American citizens." Mr. Agee's efforts and those of his associates, Mr. Anderson said, placed in danger not only Americans doing covert work but also all the foreign citizens who had associated with them, whether as spies or in daily life. Even when it did not result in physical threats, the exposure of spies disguised as diplomats or businesspeople forced the agency to withdraw them and caused costly disruptions of intelligence efforts, Mr. Anderson said. At a ceremony in 1997 to mark the 50th anniversary of the C.I.A., George Bush, the former president and C.I.A. director, invoked Mr. Agee as a symbol of treachery. "Remember Philip Agee, who I consider a traitor to our country?" Mr. Bush asked. Mr. Agee was sometimes accused — wrongly, according to him and his friends — of bearing some responsibility for the death of Richard Welch, the agency's Athens station chief, who was assassinated in 1975 by the Greek terrorist group November 17. Barbara Bush, the former first lady, included such an accusation in her autobiography. Mr. Agee sued, and Mrs. Bush omitted the reference to him from later printings. "He really, truly did not want to see anyone hurt," said Mr. Wolf, the friend and co-author who carried on Mr. Agee's work of exposing agents. "He wanted to neutralize what they were doing — the whole gamut, from fixing elections and hiring local journalists to plant stories all the way up to creating foreign intelligence services that became agencies of oppression." Philip Burnett Franklin Agee was born July 19, 1935, into a prosperous family in Tacoma Park, Fla., and had "a privileged upbringing in a big white house bordering an exclusive golf club," as he later described in his 1987 memoir "On the Run." An altar boy, he attended a Jesuit high school and graduated from Notre Dame in 1956, joining the C.I.A. the next year after briefly attending law school. After three years of military training at the direction of the agency, Mr. Agee worked under cover for eight years in Ecuador, Uruguay and Mexico. His change of heart was influenced by Angela Camargo Seixas, a Brazilian leftist, who Mr. Agee wrote, had been arrested and tortured by Brazilian security forces; she later became Mr. Agee's lover. "When I joined the C.I.A. I believed in the need for its existence," he wrote in "CIA Diary." "After 12 years with the agency I finally understood how much suffering it was causing, that millions of people all over the world had been killed or had their lives destroyed by the C.I.A. and the institutions it supports." The book chronicles his growing disillusionment. An entry for Dec. 12, 1965, describes a meeting with top police officials in Montevideo, Uruguay,



during which he heard moans from an adjacent room."

- ▶ [covertaction.org/content/view/13/41/](http://covertaction.org/content/view/13/41/) (accessed: December 4, 2004): "**www.covertAction.com: The Web Site of the Institute for Media Analysis, Inc.** ... Who Are We. It is part of the American myth that our major media are objective and unbiased, a mainstay of democracy. We believe, however, that the overwhelmingly dominant corporate media have become merely the voice of an increasingly unilateral and controlled empire, devoted to the indoctrination of the public in the interests of corporate, industrial, military, and ruling powers. There has been, throughout the post-World War II years, little analysis of this phenomenon, little criticism of the myth of the impartial media. The Institute for Media Analysis, Inc., was established in 1986 with the primary purpose of providing to the public educational materials relating to the workings of government and of the media, and in particular the relations between the two. **IMA is a tax-exempt non-profit organization; its directors are Ellen Ray, William H. Schaap, Edward S. Herman, and William Preston, Jr.** Over the years, **IMA has published and produced books (including Jim Garrison's *On the Trail of the Assassins*, which became Oliver Stone's film, *JFK*), monographs, and a monthly magazine (*Lies Of Our Times*); sponsored national and international conferences, including a major conference on Anti-communism in American Life at Harvard University; provided speakers for university and other events and debates; made presentations to the United Nations and international conferences; and acted as fiscal sponsor for non-profit projects with similar purposes, including the Pacifica Campaign, Democracy Now!, the Center for Non-Profit Technology, and others. Pursuant to an agreement with **CovertAction magazine, of which Ray and Schaap were among the original founders**, IMA has the exclusive electronic rights to all issues published from the **magazine's inception in 1978** through its millennial issue of 2000. In the future, all of this critical material, focusing on the machinations of U.S. intelligence operations, will be available on this web site's archives, as well all of the issues of *Lies Of Our Times* (1990-1994), devoted to critical analysis of the New York Times and other corporate media. "**
- ▶ Funding for the Institute for Media Analysis:
  - ▶ [amazon.es/The-Stern-Fund-Progressive-Foundation/dp/0941781151](http://amazon.es/The-Stern-Fund-Progressive-Foundation/dp/0941781151): "*The Stern Fund: The Story of a Progressive Family Foundation ... 1992 ... Editor: Institute for Media Analysis, Inc (31 de diciembre de 1992)*"
  - ▶ 2001-2002 annual report, [Tides Foundation](http://TidesFoundation.org), p. 21: "Institute for Media Analysis: \$50,750."
  - ▶ [atlanticphilanthropies.org/grantee/institute-media-](http://atlanticphilanthropies.org/grantee/institute-media-)

analysis: *"Institute for Media Analysis: ... 2009, \$100,000."*

- ▶ [ARCA Foundation](#), 'Supplementary Schedule of Grant Expenses. Year Ended December 31, 2009': *"Name of Grantee: ... - Institute for Media Analysis."*
- ▶ October 2013, [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), 'Money-in-Politics Grantmaking Impact Assessment', p. 30: *"Institute for Media Analysis, Inc.: \$15,000. 2010-2011. To publicize the role of the National Chamber of Commerce in elections and election finance (GRITtv)."*

## Guerrilla News Network (GNN)

- ▶ Guerrilla News Network, Inc. existed from 2000 to 2009. It got considerable online traction in both "alt right" and "new left" conspiracy circles with short documentary clips as *The Diamond Life* (2000) about the crisis in Sierra Leone and *The Most Dangerous Game* (2001) on the CIA's MKULTRA project. GNN reached its peak in visitorship in 2004-2005, but eventually disappeared, in part, it appears, because its establishment ties were extremely visible.
- ▶ [gnn.tv/about/faq.php](http://gnn.tv/about/faq.php) (accessed: July 7, 2005): *"Guerrilla News Network is an independent news organization with headquarters in New York City and production facilities in Berkeley, California. ... GNN was co-founded by Stephen Marshall and Josh Shore in the summer of 2000. ... GNN is a for-profit company owned by four partners:*
  - **Ian Inaba:** *Ian is a writer, producer and director. ... Ian has served as the CEO of Switch Technologies a technology and media development group in Berkeley, Ca. He was also previously a software executive for Check Point Software Technologies (NASDAQ: CHKP) and an investment banker for Robertson, Stephens and Company. He is a graduate of the School of Engineering and Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania.*
  - **Anthony Lappe:** *... a writer and television producer who has written for more than twenty magazines and newspapers and has produced television news programming that has aired around the world. He has written for Black Book (where he was National Affairs Editor), Details, Gear, New York, Paper, The New York Times, and Salon, among many others. He currently writes a monthly column for Deng, a new Belgian news and entertainment magazine. In television, he worked as a correspondent for The New York Times Video News International (now NYT-TV), the world pioneer in small-format video-journalism. In 1996, he received two grants from the U.S. government to help train reporters from the Palestinian Broadcasting Corporation in the West Bank. Later, he was a breaking news producer for*

Worldwide Television News (WTN), a documentary producer for MTV News and Specials and Fuse. He is a graduate of NYU and the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. He is a frequent guest on Air America Radio and numerous other radio stations around the country. His GNN blog, *The Bunker*, can be found [here](#).

- **Stephen Marshall:** A writer and award-winning director, Stephen is the internationally-known creator of Channel Zero, the world's first global VHS newsmagazine. Distributed in Tower, Virgin and HMV record stores around the world, Channel Zero became an underground hit and one of the first successes of the small-format video revolution. The Village Voice wrote, "Leave it to a Canadian to revolutionize television." The Toronto Star called Channel Zero, "A mind blowing trip, one neither CNN nor 60 Minutes would ever take." In 1997, Marshall produced the provocative series *The Electronic Eye: Canada as a Surveillance Society* for the CBC's *The National* and consulted CNN Chairman Tom Johnson on the creation of a youth-based global news network.

Since co-founding Guerrilla News Network in the summer of 2000, Stephen has directed over 15 short documentaries, many of which have been selected for film festivals around the world. In 2002, his *Crack the CIA* won its category at the Sundance Film Festival. Later that year, he was tapped by Interscope Records to direct animated videos for rappers Eminem and 50 Cent. His controversial music video, *Closer*, directed for UK's Soulsavers was selected for RESFest 2004.

In 2004, he wrapped production on two feature films: *BattleGround: 21 Days on the Empire's Edge*, a doc feature he shot, directed and edited about the American occupation of Iraq, and *This Revolution*, a political thriller starring Rosario Dawson, set at the 2004 Republican National Convention in New York. *BattleGround* won the Silver Hugo for Best Doc at the 2004 Chicago International Film Festival and *This Revolution* went on to premiere at Sundance 05. His first book, *True Lies*, co-authored with GNN's Anthony Lappe was published by Penguin/Plume in October 2004.

Over the span of his career, Stephen has traveled and worked in over sixty countries. - **Josh Shore:** ... a film/television producer, media/brand strategist, and developer of transformative enterprises. Prior to starting GNN, he created and produced assorted original television shows for USA Network, Showtime, MTV and MuchMusicUSA (now Fuse), in addition to producing and directing material for E! and Comedy Central. For Guerrilla News Network, he has split his time between producing and directing GNN media, working with different grant-makers to support the creation of original GNN productions, and developing various television initiatives that seek to bring the culture of GNN to a wider

audience. Aside from his work in television and Web media, Josh has served as a strategist to various individuals, corporations and non-profit organizations, helping them to tailor their offerings, build out their brands, and develop new (r)evolutionary business opportunities. Headquartered in New York City, Josh is a graduate of the College of Arts & Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania. His GNN blog can be found [here](#).

- ▶ [gnn.tv/about/faq.php](http://gnn.tv/about/faq.php) (accessed: July 7, 2005): "GNN was co-founded by Stephen Marshall and Josh Shore in the summer of 2000. The partners first joined forces at MTV (Josh had brought Stephen in to consult on some radical television ideas for the station) [MTV is closely tied to the Soros-Buffett-Bill Gates-backed [ONE Campaign](#) and the similarly linked [Clinton Global Initiative](#), as well as the [Sun Valley Meetings](#)] when they finally realized that the mainstream networks would never allow their hi-impact brand of television content and design to reach prime-time. GNN's inaugural project was a NewsVideo called *The Diamond Life*. Completed in the fall of 2000, the video features the music of Peter Gabriel and was produced in conjunction with his non-profit organization, [the [Ford Foundation](#)-financed] WITNESS.

Shortly after, GNN rounded out the core partnership with reporter Anthony Lappe; and investment banker-turned-producer Ian Inaba. Since 2000, GNN has grown from its critical mass audience from approximately an initial 300 unique visitors/day to an average of 25,000 and a high of over 300,000. Their first DVD compilation, *Ammo For The Info-Warrior* (play trailer: [broadband](#), [mediumband](#)) features NewsVideos that have received hundreds of thousands of views on the net and been shown in film festivals and on television networks around the world. Among them is the Sundance-award winning short, *Crack The CIA* and the 2003 Media That Matters Film Festival Media Activism Award winner, *Copwatch*. In 2003, they produced *AfterMath*, a 30-min. documentary investigating the unanswered questions surrounding 9/11. Since its release, *AfterMath* has played in festivals and at public venues across the United States and Europe and has been translated into four languages.

GNN has also collaborated with and produced politicized music videos for artists such as Ad Rock (Beastie Boys), dead prez, Chronic Future, Eminem and 50 Cent.

GNN's music video for Eminem's politically-charged song, *Mosh*, hit number one on MTV's TRL the day it was released in October 2004. New York magazine called it "one of the most important pieces of mainstream dissent since the 60s."

GNN's first book, *True Lies* (Plume) hits the shelves in October 2004. ...

GNN's first feature film, *This Revolution*, starring [Rosario](#)

*Dawson [Hollywood actor whose V-Day feminist group is backed by foundations as Rockefeller, Ford, NoVo (Buffett), etc.] premiered at the 2005 [Ford, Soros, MacArthur foundation, etc.-backed] Sundance International Film Festival. To watch the trailer and for more info go here."*

- ▶ Guerrilla News Network was not just indirectly, but also directly financed by the Ford Foundation, with Ian Inaba being a trusted asset of George Soros, the Buffett family and the Ford Foundation:
  - ▶ 2006 annual report, [Ford Foundation](#), p. 114: *"Guerrilla News Network, (Berkeley, CA): For post-production costs of "American Blackout," a documentary film chronicling the recurring patterns of voter disenfranchisement in the United States from 2000-2004. \$62,650."*
  - ▶ [fordfoundation.org/library/multimedia/flip-cam-interview-ian-inaba/](http://fordfoundation.org/library/multimedia/flip-cam-interview-ian-inaba/): *"4 May 2011: The documentary filmmaker and Guerrilla News Network journalist talks about his shift to short form video and its impact."*
  - ▶ [influencewatch.org/non-profit/citizen-engagement-laboratory/](http://influencewatch.org/non-profit/citizen-engagement-laboratory/): *"Citizen Engagement Laboratory (CEL): CEL was founded in 2008 by Ian Inaba and Daniel Souweine, left-wing political activists ... Partners: ... Ford Foundation. The Kapor Center... Funding: ... - Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation: \$4,500,029 since 2013. - Vanguard Charitable Endowment Program: \$875,000 since 2013. - Open Society Foundations (formerly Open Society Institute): \$1,320,000 since 2012."*
- ▶ The Small Planet Institute is linked to GNN as well:
  - ▶ [smallplanet.org/our-team](http://smallplanet.org/our-team) (accessed: May 7, 2018): *"Founders: ... Frances Moore Lappe is the author or co-author of 19 books about world hunger, living democracy, and the environment, beginning with the three-million copy Diet for a Small Planet in 1971. ... Anna Lappe, Co-founder and Partner, is a national bestselling author, a respected advocate for sustainability and justice along the food chain... Staff: ... Anthony Lappe, media adviser for Small Planet... Began his career in journalism as a freelance contributor to The New York Times and a producer for MTV News. ... executive editor of the Guerrilla News Network..."*
  - ▶ [smallplanetfund.org](http://smallplanetfund.org) (accessed: May 7, 2018): *"We are administered by [RSF Social Finance](#), which takes a small fee for each grant and we pay a small honorarium for the Fund's coordination."*
- ▶ Disinformation of GNN:
  - ▶ Didn't accept conspiracies as the WTC demolition.
  - ▶ GNN's *The Most Dangerous Game* (2001) on the CIA's MKULTRA project was well-produced, but, strangely, included Mark Phillips, the alleged "deprogrammer" of

bogus CIA mind control victim Cathy O'Brien. Looking up the full transcripts of the conducted interviews for this minidocumentary it turns out that GNN was asking questions to alleged experts on "Project Monarch", a seemingly invented CIA mind control program on children involving torture and rape to induce DID / Multiple Personality Disorder. GNN was posing the questions in a way as if Project Monarch was total fact - which it most certainly is not. In other words, GNN was engaging in disinformation here. While *The Most Dangerous Game* was presented as only being "part 1", there never was a follow up. Phillips' general words on mind control might well be true though:

- ▶ Mark Phillips in GNN's *The Most Dangerous Game* (2001): *"Mind sciences, or the study of human behavior in relation to the mind is the newest of all the arts ... and it is by far the one that is most cloaked in secrecy. ... Wars are not won on the battlefield. They're won in the minds of the people. ... Mind control was a psychological warfare weapon that Adolf Hitler regarded as the answer for taking over the entire planet. ... I have often made a statement, and I still make it flippantly, the Nazis didn't lose the war; they just had to move."*

### TomPaine.com

- ▶ Founded in 1999 by John Moyers, a son of Bill Moyers of the [Schumann Center](#). Its "op-ads" ran almost weekly on the op-ed page of the New York Times and a number of other publications. John Moyers left TomPaine.com in 2003. Received millions from the Schumann Center.
- ▶ Anno 2016 TomPaine.com is no longer active and has become absorbed by the Institute for America's Future, founded by [CNSS](#) founder and later [Soros](#) agent Robert Borosage. [The Nation's](#) Katrina vanden Heuvel is also involved in the institute.
- ▶ January 1, 2015, Washington Post, 'Bill Moyers signs off — for the final time, he swears': *"As the longtime president of the New Jersey-based Schumann Center for Media and Democracy (2012 assets: \$28.1 million), Moyers has helped direct millions of dollars in charitable grants to left-leaning journals and public broadcasting outlets over the years. Among the 2012 recipients of Schumann's largesse: "Democracy Now," the public-radio program (\$750,000); Mother Jones magazine (\$200,000); Boston public station WGBH (\$25,000); and New York public broadcaster WNET (\$140,000). In earlier years, Schuman has supported such*

liberal outlets as the [Nation magazine](#), the [Washington Monthly](#), [In These Times](#), [TomPaine.com](#), [Truthout.org](#) and [The American Prospect](#). Moyers's dual roles — as both TV host and philanthropist — have sometimes overlapped and even presented possible conflicts of interest. For example, Schumann helped finance TomPaine.com, which was founded by Moyers's son John, who was also a former member of Schumann's board."

## Magazines and radio

### Harper's

- ▶ [harpers.org/history/](#) (accessed: December 20, 2015): "In 1980, when the parent company announced that Harper's Magazine would cease publication, John R. (Rick) MacArthur and his father, Roderick, urged the boards of the [John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#) and the Atlantic Richfield Company [[of 1001 Club member, major ecological funder, and close David Rockefeller friend Robert O. Anderson](#)] to make a grant of assets and funds to form the Harper's Magazine Foundation."
- ▶ 2007, Bob Feldman, draft of an article that would later appear in the peer-reviewed journal Critical Sociology, 'Left Media & Left Think Tanks: Foundation-Managed Protest?' ([PDF](#)): "Between 1993 and 1996, Harper's Magazine (whose publisher, Rick MacArthur, is also an official of the J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation) has been subsidized by either John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation or J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation grants since the early 1980s. Since the publication of Schulman's 1995 Extra! article, the extent to which liberal foundations have been funding left media and think tanks has increased. In 1998, for instance, the Ford Foundation gave Progressive magazine a \$200,000 grant. That same year, the Rockefeller Foundation also gave a \$50,000 grant to Progressive magazine. In 2000, the Ford Foundation gave two more grants, totaling \$250,000, to Progressive magazine; and, in 2002, an additional \$120,000 in grant money was also given to Progressive magazine by the John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation."

### In These Times

- ▶ A politically progressive/democratic socialist monthly magazine of news and opinion published by the Institute for Public Affairs in Chicago, Illinois. It was established as a broadsheet-format fortnightly newspaper in 1976 by James



Weinstein, a lifelong socialist, with the aid of intellectuals including Julian Bond, Noam Chomsky and Herbert Marcuse.

- ▶ In These Times' current editor and publisher is Joel Bleifuss, whose articles have been featured on [Project Censored](#)'s list of suppressed news stories more than those of any other American journalist.
- ▶ As of 2011, the magazine only has a circulation of 18,000.
- ▶ Notable contributors: Noam Chomsky, Alexander Cockburn, Barbara Ehrenreich, Norman Finkelstein, Glenn Greenwald, Paul Wellstone.
- ▶ [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](http://parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261) (media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): *"2015: ... - Institute for Public Affairs. Chicago, IL. General operating support for In These Times magazine. \$15,000. www.inthesetimes.com."*
- ▶ January 1, 2015, Washington Post, 'Bill Moyers signs off — for the final time, he swears': *"As the longtime president of the New Jersey-based [Schumann Center for Media and Democracy](#) (2012 assets: \$28.1 million), Moyers has helped direct millions of dollars in charitable grants to left-leaning journals and public broadcasting outlets over the years. Among the 2012 recipients of Schumann's largesse: ...[In These Times](#)..."*

## Mother Jones

- ▶ Important left-wing political magazine.
- ▶ September 25, 2013, The Nation, 'Happy 50th Anniversary, IPS!': *"Alongside its development of critical thinking, IPS [[Institute for Policy Studies](#)]... helped provide initial support for [Mother Jones](#) magazine."* IPS has been backed by foundations as Rockefeller, Ford, Carnegie and Soros from its very beginnings.
- ▶ Adam Hochschild was a co-founder of Mother Jones magazine. His father Harold K. Hochschild was chair / then honorary chair of the elite and at one point CIA-backed African-America Institute (AAI: often called Africa-America Institute, but annual reports state otherwise), which was dominated by individuals from the Rockefeller, Ford and Carnegie foundations. In fact, these foundations, along with USAID, took over funding from the CIA. All details provided in the [Foundation for National Progress](#) section, which founded and controls Mother Jones magazine, and also supports the [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#) which aids NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden and [Wikileaks](#) founder Julian Assange.
- ▶ [motherjones.com/about/philanthropy/programs.html](http://motherjones.com/about/philanthropy/programs.html) (February 13, 2006): *"Programs Supported by the Foundation for National Progress: ... The flagship project of the FNP,*

*Mother Jones magazine, launched in February 1976..."*

- ▶ December 7, 2015, Mother Jones, 'There's One Piece of Democracy That Fat Cats Can't Buy': *"It takes about \$13 million to run Mother Jones at our current size. About 15 percent of that comes from advertising, while 15 percent comes from foundations (a few big ones like the MacArthur Foundation in Chicago, and a number of smaller family-based ones). Nearly 70 percent is from readers like you."*
- ▶ January 9, 2015, Capital Research Center (financed by Koch, Scaife and Bradley foundations), 'Trendsetters of the Left': *"As of last year, editors Monika Bauerlein and Clara Jeffery each pulled in more than \$167,000 annually. Many workers at the magazine belong to a union. The magazine itself is owned by the nonprofit Foundation for National Progress. The foundation receives funding from the usual leftist philanthropies. Among them are Lannan Foundation (\$1,820,000 since 2004); Surdna Foundation (\$825,000 since 2005); Schumann Center for Media and Democracy (\$435,000 since 2003); Arca Foundation (\$372,500 since 2004); and two George Soros philanthropies, Foundation to Promote Open Society (\$360,000 since 2010) and Open Society Institute (\$225,000 since 2008)."*

### National Public Radio (NPR)

- ▶ Very prominent new left, non-profit media outlet.
- ▶ Associated with the likes of Bill Moyers, a CFR member and former trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation (1969-1980) and Soros' Open Society Foundations (1990s-2000s), who also helps finance NPR through his [Schumann Center](#).
- ▶ October 18, 2010, Politico, 'Open Society gives \$1.8 million to NPR': *"NPR is launching a new statehouse reporting initiative next year, kicked off by a \$1.8 million grant from the [Open Society Foundations](#)."*
- ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants to National Public Radio (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants since 2006): "
  - 117489. National Public Radio. ... 2011. \$750,000.
  - 119827. National Public Radio. ... 2013. \$750,000.
  - 103688. National Public Radio. ... 2006. \$3,000,000.
  - 109780. National Public Radio. ... 2008. \$1,200,000.
  - 108748. National Public Radio ... 2007 \$150,000."Total amount 2006-2015 to NPR: \$5,850,000.
- ▶ The [Packard Foundation](#) has been educating the public on environmentalism through NPR:
  - ▶ 1997 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"National Public Radio: ... \$200,000 ... World Media Foundation: ... For two years for the Changing Oceans project entitled Living on Earth to be broadcast on National Public Radio.*

\$200,000..."

- ▶ 2000 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"World Media Foundation: \$200,000 for the environmental radio program Living on Earth [on NPR]..."*
- ▶ 1999 annual report, NPR: *"Contributors to the NPR Endowment Fund for Excellence and Fund for New Initiatives: \$2 million+: The [Ford Foundation](#). The [John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#). \$1 million - \$1,999,999: ... Doris Duke Charitable Foundation .... [Knight Foundation](#). ... [Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Inc.](#) ... \$250,000 - \$499,999: ... [Flora Family Foundation](#)..."*
- ▶ 2008 annual report, NPR: *"FY08 Institutional & Corporate Foundations & Public Sector Grants: \$500,000–\$1 million: ... [Annenberg Foundation](#) ... [Hewlett Foundation](#) ... \$250,000–\$499,999: [Carnegie Corporation](#) ... [Skoll Foundation](#). Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. ... \$100,000–\$249,000: The Annie E. Casey Foundation. Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation. The [Ford Foundation](#). The [Joyce Foundation](#). ... Marisla Fund. ... [Park Foundation](#) ... John Templeton Foundation... \$50,000–\$99,999: ... [Ploughshares Foundation](#) ... under \$24,999: ... Mary W. Harriman Foundation ... Oak Foundation..."*
- ▶ [linkedin.com/in/bettina-warburg-4a25a0a/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/bettina-warburg-4a25a0a/) (accessed: January 7, 2018): *"Production Assistant, NPR Worldwide , NPR: May 2006 - Apr 2008..."*

## Pacifica Radio

- ▶ Maintains a relative small radio network since the late 1940s, including radio shows for The Nation, Democracy Now! (which it founded) and Project Censored. Has always been supported by major foundations that have guaranteed its survival.
- ▶ [pacifica.org/about\\_history.php](http://pacifica.org/about_history.php) (accessed: November 21, 2015): *"Timeline through 1997. Pacifica History: From KPFK, Los Angeles. Overview: The Pacifica Foundation (now known as Pacifica Foundation Radio) was born in the late 1940's out of the (now nearly forgotten) peace movement surrounding World War Two. Lewis Hill, a conscientious objector and Washington, D.C. newsman, was fired from his mainstream reporting job when he refused to misrepresent the facts. ... Pacifica was born and in 1949 KPFA went on the air from Berkeley, California. KPFK, in Los Angeles, was the second of what would eventually become five Pacifica Stations to go on the air. It was 1959 and Terry Drinkwater was the first General Manager. Blessed with an enormous transmitter in a prime location, KPFK is the most powerful of the Pacifica stations and indeed is the most powerful public radio station in the Western United States. ...*

**1946:** *[The J.P. Morgan-affiliated] Lewis Hill moves from Washington DC to the San Francisco Bay Area and begins work toward creating an alternative radio station.*

**1949:** *Pacifica first goes on the air April 15 as KPFA-FM in Berkeley CA.*

**1950:** *Opponents to the Korean war are among the many minority viewpoints given freedom of speech on Pacifica during the McCarthy era.*

**1951:** *Pacifica receives the first major foundation grant (Ford Foundation) for the support of a non-commercial broadcast operation. ...*

**1953:** *Philosopher/author Alan Watts [later of the Esalen Institute] begins a regular program on KPFA that continues until his death in 1973.*

**1954:** *An on-the-air discussion of the effects of marijuana [also see the later elite-backed marijuana lobby] results in the California Attorney General impounding the program tape.*

**1955:** *Poets Allen Ginsberg and Lawrence Ferlinghetti bring the Beat Generation to the airwaves. A few years later the FCC questions Pacifica's broadcast of some of their works as "vulgar, obscene and in bad taste." ...*

**1957:** *Pacifica/KPFA wins its first George Foster Peabody Award for "distinguished service and meritorious public service" for programming that takes strong issue with McCarthyism.*

**1958:** *Nuclear war and the arms race are debated on the air by Nobel Prize winner [and Rockefeller-financed] Linus Pauling [of the Esalen Institute who opposed nuclear testing and weapons development] and [pro-nuke American Security Council/Center for Security Policy-affiliated] Edward Teller, the "Father of the H-Bomb."*

**1959:** *Pacifica begins its second station--KPFK-FM in Los Angeles--with Terry Drinkwater as General Manager.*

**1960-1963:** *The House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) and the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee (SISS) investigate Pacifica programming for "subversion." Suspected writers include Bertolt Brecht, [Pilgrims Society member and the CIA's Cord Meyer friend] Norman Cousins [and others]...*

**1960:** *Commercial station WBAI in New York is given to Pacifica by philanthropist Louis Schweitzer [later chair and CEO of Renault and a Trilateral Commission visitor (certainly in 2001); a son of a managing director of the IMF]. Then-Governor Nelson Rockefeller, Mayor Robert Wagner, Jr. and Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz are among the speakers honoring the first day of Pacifica Radio in New York. ...*

**1991:** *Pacifica leads a coalition with PEN, Allen Ginsberg and broad- casters opposing Senator Jesse Helms' (R-NC) and the FCC's 24-hour ban against "indecentcy" on radio. ...*

**1993:** *Amy Goodman, WBAI News Director [WBAI is part of*

Pacifica] and co-anchor of WBAI's Morning Show, wins the following awards for the program "Massacre: The Story of East timor"...

**February, 1996:** Pacifica launches [Democracy Now!](#): a daily grassroots election program focusing on the state of democracy in the U.S. and around the world. Hosted by [Amy Goodman](#) ... this program garnered unprecedented listener and foundation support and stimulated dialogue and action for social change."

- ▶ **Psychedelic guru** Timothy Leary occasionally appeared on Pacifica, along with his friends Alan Watts and Allen Ginsberg. [pacificaradioarchives.net/subject-tags/leary-timothy-1920-1996?order=field\\_broadcaston\\_raw&sort=asc](http://pacificaradioarchives.net/subject-tags/leary-timothy-1920-1996?order=field_broadcaston_raw&sort=asc):  
*"Leary, Timothy, 1920-1996 This may not be a complete list of all recordings associated with this subject. Search the entire catalog here."*
- ▶ 1992, John Whiting in The Dolphin, No.23, 'The Leghtening Shadow: Lewis Hill and the Origins of Listener-Sponsored Broadcasting in America': *"So by the middle of 1951 KPFA was back on the air with an expanded schedule and a more powerful transmitter. Shortly thereafter, at the beginning of 1952, it moved to larger premises at 2207 Shattuck Avenue (where it was to remain until 1991), absolutely necessary to accommodate the growing army of staff and volunteers. The immediate future was secured a few months later by a Ford Foundation grant administered through the Fund for Adult Education, for \$150,000 spread over three years. Lewis Hill's final report to the Fund was not intended to be merely a justification of the investment, but more importantly, a handbook for other potential community stations. Both Hill's and the Foundation's interests went far beyond the survival of a single FM station: they wished to explore the feasibility of a whole network of stations, TV as well as radio... Financial pressures were constant, and Hill was forced to plead regularly with individuals and foundations to make up the difference between expenses and subscriptions."*
- ▶ Pacifica founder Lewis Hill history: [kpfahistory.info/hist/lengthening\\_shadow.htm](http://kpfahistory.info/hist/lengthening_shadow.htm) (accessed: November 29, 2015): *"I had known **Lew Hill** slightly in the early fifties, and later knew many people who had worked closely with him for several years; but when I attempted to assemble a short biography I came up against a blank wall. Several informants could outline in precise detail his opinions about pacifism, free speech and the public media, but none could tell me when or where he was born, who his parents were, where he had gone to school or college, what radio experience he had had, or what conscientious objectors' work camp he had been held in. Further questioning elicited a consensus that he "didn't talk much about his background,*

but mostly about ideas" (HRI) There was further agreement that: "...he was essentially a lonely person, because it was difficult for him to reach out to others. To simple people he was an unknown quantity and this made him feel lonely and he could never overcome it." (HRI, SRI) Morris Horowitz, a fellow conscientious objector, tells an illuminating story involving Bayard Rustin, one of the leaders of the pacifist movement during World War II and later of civil rights: I met Bayard in Washington once and he asked me, "Hey, do you happen to know Lew Hill?" and I said I did. He said, "They say that you can't understand what he's talking about." [laughter] I said, "That's not true at all. He's a very intelligent, very interesting talker, but he speaks in a formal, complicated way and you have to pay attention." He was an intellectual and he couldn't attain the common touch even if he tried. (HRI) After a long search, it was from Joy Hill, Lewis's widow, that I was finally able to learn the basic biographical details that few of his colleagues seem to have been aware of. They are best told in her own words: "He was born in Kansas City, Kansas, on May 1st, 1919. His father was an attorney; his grandfather had been a Missouri doctor. His father told the story of having been in law school at the University of Missouri at Columbia. After the first semester, which he "aced", he went to the dean when spring came and said, "I don't think I can stand to keep my shoes on any longer. Can I do my studying at home and come back for the finals?" The dean said yes, and he went home.... "His father made a million dollars selling an oil company to **J.P. Morgan** (he was the lawyer on the deal). Lew's mother's family was the Phillips family of Phillips Petroleum (**Frank Phillips** was her older brother). Lew's father then bought a small foundering insurance company in Tulsa, where they moved, and built it up and later went into politics. He was in the state legislature and for a part of one term he was Speaker of the Oklahoma State Legislature. But he had made a campaign pledge to clear out a graft situation in the school textbook purchasing division. He lost the reform bill by one vote, so he resigned because he had made this promise.... "Lew was sent off to military school because he was too bright for the public school, and he hated it, just despised it. He completed his first two years of college there, at Wentworth Military Academy. He was also Missouri State doubles tennis champion. But he injured his back playing football, and I really think in the long run that's what killed him.... "He went to Stanford University and he was in what they called the "university program". There were four or five really brilliant people who were working directly for their doctorate, which was for him unfortunate: when the war came along he had completed his thesis, which was on printers' changes in Troilus and Cressida between the fourth and fifth folios, but

*he hadn't taken his orals, so he ended up with never having a degree, even though he had about six years of college."(HJI) While at Stanford, Hill was introduced to the teachings of the Quakers and became a pacifist. When he was drafted in 1941 he registered as a conscientious objector and quickly moved to the top of the organization representing all objectors throughout America. (PRV p.8) The exact chronology is hard to determine, but in 1942 and 1943 he spent about fifteen months at a compulsory work camp for conscientious objectors at Coleville, California, "moving rocks from one side of the road to the other," as he put it. Between then and 1944 he was Director of the National Committee for Conscientious Objectors, and in that capacity he travelled extensively among the CO camps on the west coast, meeting like-minded people he would later ask to help him in his great radio project. He also worked for the American Civil Liberties Union in Washington D.C., where he met his wife-to-be..."*

► More Pacifica financing apart from early Ford Foundation grant:

► 2005, Bob Feldman, 'Alternative Media censorship: Sponsored by CIA's Ford Foundation?': *" In the early 1950s--when the CIA was using the Ford Foundation to help fund a non-communist "parallel left" as a liberal Establishment alternative to an independent, anti-Establishment revolutionary left--the Pacifica Foundation was given a \$150,000 grant in 1951 by the Ford Foundation's Fund for Education. ... Besides subsidizing the Pacifica Foundation in the early 1950s, the Ford Foundation also spent a lot of money subsidizing many other noncommercial radio or television stations in the United States. According to Ledbetter's Made Possible By..., between 1951 and 1976, the Ford Foundation "spent nearly \$300 million on noncommercial radio and television." In the late 1950s and early 1960s, Pacifica relied primarily on listener-sponsor contributions to fund the operations of its radio stations. And in the early 1970s, Pacifica also began to accept funds from the U.S. Establishment's Corporation for Public Broadcasting [CPB], according to Rogue State author William Blum--who worked as a KPFA staffperson in the early 1970s. But in the early 1990s, some Pacifica administrators decided to again seek grants from the Ford Foundation and other Establishment foundations. ... By 1995, billionaire speculator George Soros' Open Society Institute had given the Pacifica Foundation a \$40,000 grant. And in 1996, the Carnegie Corporation of New York gave Pacifica a \$25,000 grant to launch its DEMOCRACY NOW show. ... In 1997 came a \$13,000 grant from the J.M. Kaplan Fund to Pacifica to provide support for DEMOCRACY NOW.*



*And in 1998 came a \$25,000 grant to Pacifica from the Public Welfare Foundation "to report on hate crimes and related issues as part of its 'DEMOCRACY NOW!' public-affairs radio program and an additional \$10,000 grant to support DEMOCRACY NOW from the J.M. Kaplan Fund. That same year the Ford Foundation gave a \$75,000 grant to Pacifica... In 1998 and 1999, two grants, totalling \$22,500, were also given to Pacifica by the Boehm Foundation, to support its DEMOCRACY NOW show. In early 2002, an additional Ford Foundation grant of \$75,000 was given to Deep Dish TV "for the television news series, DEMOCRACY NOW, to continue incorporating the aftermath of the September 11th attack into future broadcasts." Besides being presently subsidized by the Ford Foundation to air Pacifica's DEMOCRACY NOW show, Deep Dish TV, with an annual income of \$158,000 in 2000, was also subsidized by the MacArthur Foundation in the 1990s. Between 1993 and 1998, \$190,000 in grants were given to Deep Dish TV by the MacArthur Foundation. And one of the members of Deep Dish TV's board of directors in recent years has apparently been a WBAI staffperson named Mario Murillo. Another Ford Foundation grant of \$200,000 was given in April 2002 to the Astraea Foundation, whose former board finance committee chairperson, Leslie Cagan, is presently the chairperson of Pacifica's national board. Three other grants have been given to the Astraea Foundation by the Ford Foundation since 2000: two grants, totalling \$75,000, in 2000; and a \$200,000 grant in 2001..."*

- ▶ [opensocietyfoundations.org/sites/default/files/pdia\\_20040101.pdf](https://opensocietyfoundations.org/sites/default/files/pdia_20040101.pdf), p. 7: *"Grants Program 1994 - 1997: ... KPFA Radio/Pacifica Foundation Susan G. Stone, project coordinator Public broadcaster KPFA Radio will produce, market, and distribute nationwide a five-part multicultural radio series on death and bereavement. The series will address the varied cultural traditions in the United States of experiencing, mourning, and commemorating death. \$40,000 / One Year."*
- ▶ Tides Foundation grant lists of the 2000s and beyond show annual contributions to Pacifica Foundation Radio in the \$3,000 to \$5,000 range, but much larger ones to Pacifica's Democracy Now! show.
- ▶ [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](https://parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261) (Park Foundation media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): "
  - 2012: ... Pacifica Foundation. Berkeley, CA. WBAI ...\$12,000...
  - 2011: ... Pacifica Foundation. Berkeley, CA. WBAI ...\$12,000...

- 2010: ... *Pacifica Foundation. Berkeley, CA. WBAI*  
...\$6,000... \$6,000..."

## Public Radio International (PRI)

- ▶ PRI is a media content creator and also distributes programs from many sources, competing with [National Public Radio](#), American Public Media and the Public Radio Exchange to provide programming to public radio stations. It also runs the news website [pri.org](#).
- ▶ [pri.org/foundation-support](#) (accessed: March 26, 2017): "Our funders include: The [Annenberg Foundation](#). [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#). The [Carnegie Corporation](#) ... [Ford Foundation](#) ... [Henry Luce Foundation](#) ... [MacArthur Foundation](#) ... [Ploughshares Fund](#) ... [Skoll Foundation](#)."

## Rolling Stone

- ▶ Rolling Stone magazine has about 7-15 times the circulation (1.5 million in 2014) of the more purely left-wing political magazines as *The Nation*, *Harper's*, *Mother Jones* and *The New Republic* and therefore doesn't seem to be needing any funds from major foundations to keep its head above water. However, Rolling Stone is very closely allied with the aforementioned magazines.
- ▶ Also, its founder in 1967, Jann Wenner, used to be a contributor to the left-wing [Ramparts magazine](#), which campaigned against the Vietnam War and even damaged the CIA with its expose that the Agency was using the National Student Association to recruit agents. Curiously, key editors of Ramparts switched from being left-wing progressives to key ultra-right neoconservatives. Reportedly successful CIA blackmail operations were ran against Ramparts contributors (by an associate of [Buckminster Fuller](#) and David Rockefeller daughter Neva Rockefeller), but certainly there is something very peculiar about the history of this magazine. And Jann Wenner, along with a person as [Noam Chomsky](#), was right in the middle of it.
- ▶ More on Jann Wenner:
  - ▶ November 27, 2017, Rolling Stone, 'Wenner officially came out in 1995': *"Born in 1946 during the opening hours of the baby boom (his first pediatrician was Dr. Benjamin Spock [later CIA-tied "Boston Five" protestor, prosecuted by the equally strange Ramsey Clark]) ... Studying at Berkeley [and] devoted to LSD, he became the campus newspaper's drugs and rock correspondent, plunging into the Merry Pranksters scene Tom Wolfe describes in*

*"The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test." [discussed in ISGP's [Psychedelics and Elitism](#) article] He adopted the experienced jazz writer Ralph J. Gleason as his mentor, and eventually co-founded Rolling Stone with him. ... Rolling Stone owes much to The Sunday Ramparts, the short-lived biweekly paper spun off from Warren Hinckle's Ramparts magazine. ... Wenner officially came out [as gay] in 1995..."*

- ▶ Certainly by 1991 Jann Wenner was a director of the [Robin Hood Foundation](#), which soon would grow into a nexus of Hollywood - Silicon Valley - Wall Street power with ties to anything from Goldman Sachs to Bilderberg and the Trilateral Commission, with major funding coming from George Soros.
- ▶ In early 2018 Wenner sold his stake to PMC Media of billionaire Roger Penske, a director of the very elite company General Electric and a major player in the NASCAR world; and Jay Penske, his son and chairman and CEO of PMC Media. The father not so much, but the son is very leftist oriented. Anti-Trump magazines Deadline and Variety are also owned by PMC, with Jann Wenner remaining on Rolling Stone's editorial director and his son Guss as president.
  - ▶ July 2, 2018, Rollingstone.com, 'Welcome to the New Rolling Stone; We've given the magazine and the website a new look for a new era': *"Rolling Stone President Gus Wenner, son of Rolling Stone founder and Editorial Director Jann Wenner. ... Earlier this year, Penske Media Corp. made a strategic investment in Rolling Stone. ... Jay Penske, CEO of Penske Media."*
  - ▶ November 9, 2016, wwd.com, 'Robert De Niro, Harvey Weinstein Throw Election Night Party': *"Robert De Niro, Harvey Weinstein, and Jay Penske (owner of PMC, parent of WWD) were throwing an election night viewing party that drew... Paul McCartney, Naomi Campbell, Martha Hunt, Martha Stewart. Even Rihanna reportedly stopped by... Paul Haggis camped out at a table... There would be no celebration for Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton."*
  - ▶ August 9, 2012, nymag.com, 'Deadline.com Owner Jay Penske Allegedly Assaulted a Woman, Peed on Her Boots'.
  - ▶ November 20, 2015, deadline.com, 'Paley Center For Media Sets New Board Of Trustees': *"The Paley Center for Media has revealed the newest additions to its Board of Trustees. Among them is Jay Penske..."* This NGO has received grants from the Ford and Soros (Open Society) foundations.

## The American Prospect

- ▶ A relatively small-circulation liberal magazine founded in 1990 by Robert Kuttner, Paul Starr, and Robert Reich that has been built up with massive foundation investment:
  - ▶ Robert Kuttner: Background at [Pacifica Radio](#) (general manager), Village Voice Washington editor), [The New Republic](#) (economics editor), Business Week (20-year columnist), [NPR](#) (commentator), [PBS](#) (commentator). Writes for the Boston Globe and the [Huffington Post](#).
  - ▶ Paul Starr: BA Columbia. Ph.D. from Harvard. Princeton professor of sociology and public affairs. Senior advisor for President Bill Clinton's 1993 proposed health care reform plan.
  - ▶ Robert Reich: Harvard and UCLA professor. Served in the administrations of Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter and was Clinton's secretary of labor 1993-1997. Has been contributing editor of [The New Republic](#), [The American Prospect](#) (also chairman and founding editor), Harvard Business Review, The Atlantic, the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal. Formerly on the board of advisors of [Truthout](#).
- ▶ Financing of The American Prospect:
  - ▶ June 17, 2002, Boston Business Journal, 'Just what are the prospects for The American Prospect?': *"Slate.com blogger -- "web logger," for the nontechies -- Mickey Kaus has been reporting that The American Prospect is in financial trouble, but founder and co-editor Robert Kuttner says the magazine is doing just fine, thank you. ...In his May 30 column, he referred to the magazine, whose operations are split between Boston and Washington, D.C., as "foundering." The American Prospect went from a bimonthly to a biweekly publication in November 1999 with the aid of a multimillion-dollar grant from the Florence & John Schumann Foundation of Montclair, N.J. The magazine, which Kuttner described as one for "sensible liberals" who want authoritative articles on major policy issues, also was redesigned as an attempt to broaden its appeal and boost its then-18,000 circulation to upwards of 80,000 in five years. The magazine's circulation stands at 50,000 now, according to Kuttner, who noted little advertising is received. In May 1999, the [Schumann Foundation](#) gave the magazine \$5.5 million for two years and was expected to commit to a total of \$11 million after an evaluation period. In May 2001, the magazine received another \$2 million for a one-year period. "Each year, they review it," Kuttner said. "We got the money, \$2 million, this year. We're coming up on our regular review, and we expect another \$3 million for the remaining two*

years, and that will be the end of the grant. By then, we expect to be self-sufficient. "That doesn't mean we break even, it just means we have enough foundation support to continue," continued Kuttner, who noted [The Nation](#) and [The New Republic](#), also left-leaning publications, also fail to break even. "Our understanding with them (the Schumann Foundation) is we wouldn't have asked for money from them after the five years.""

- ▶ January 9, 2015, Capital Research Center (financed by Koch, Scaife and Bradley foundations), 'Trendsetters of the Left': *"The American Prospect magazine functions as a nonprofit organization. In addition to publishing a magazine, it routinely organizes progressive conferences. ... Institutional donors to The American Prospect Inc. include [Schumann Center for Media and Democracy](#) (\$2,165,000 since 2001); New York Community Trust (\$2,000,250 since 2003); [Ford Foundation](#) (\$1,775,000 since 2002); Popplestone Foundation (\$1,725,000 since 2003); [Open Society Institute](#) (\$1,115,000 since 1999); [John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#) (\$674,000 since 1999); Annie E. Casey Foundation (\$539,000 since 2007); [Rockefeller Foundation](#) (\$330,000 since 2000); [Foundation to Promote Open Society](#) (\$300,000 since 2009); [Carnegie Corp. of New York](#) (\$207,000 since 2007); [Surdna Foundation](#) (\$200,000 since 2004); and [W.K. Kellogg Foundation](#) (\$197,500 since 2012)."*
- ▶ 2001, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "A grant of \$2,000,000 for continued support of the bi-weekly magazine, The American Prospect... [total:] \$2,139,000... Nation Institute... A grant of \$15,000..."
- ▶ [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](http://parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261) ([Park Foundation](#) media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): "2013: ... The American Prospect Washington, DC The Shale Rebellion, A Multi-Media Presentation \$15,000..."
- ▶ American Prospect editor Ezra Klein: Howard Dean presidential campaign staffer in 2003 and one of the earliest bloggers to report from presidential campaign conventions. Intern at the [Washington Monthly](#) in 2004. Associate editor of [The American Prospect](#) where he maintained his blog since 2007. Blogger on politics and economy for the Washington Post 2009-2014. Also a contributor to MSNBC and Bloomberg in this period. Founder and editor-in-chief of [Vox.com](#), a successful progressive "new left" website, since 2014.

## The Nation

- ▶ Progressive magazine founded in 1865. Also owns Tom Dispatch.com:

► [tomdispatch.com](http://tomdispatch.com) (belongs to The Nation): *"A regular antidote to the mainstream media."* Against spying, drone strikes, war profits, mercenary firms, etc. Writers include Noam Chomsky and daughter Aviva Chomsky, Andrew Cockburn (wrote the book *Dangerous Liaison: The Inside Story of the U.S.-Israeli Covert Relationship*, with Leslie Cockburn), Alexander Cockburn (1941-2012), Patrick Cockburn, Robert Dreyfuss.

► Board members, editors and contributors to The Nation:

► Past and present Nation editors who were/are CFR members: Richard Falk: CFR member 1967-; Katrina vanden Heuvel: CFR member 1993-. Nation contributor and Institute for Policy Studies founder Richard Barnet .

► Jan. 28, 1984, The Nation, 'Special Issue: Central America' (on the Contras), p. 66: *"Editorials: 66. Contra Kissinger... Articles: ... 88. Terminal El Salvador: Death Squads, d' Aubuisson & "Democracy"... 92. Guatemala Under Siege: Chaos in the Scorched Earth. ... Editor: Victor Navasky. ... Interns: ... On leave: Kai Bird. ... Correspondents: Washington D.C.: Christopher Hitchens. ... Contributing Editors: ... [future 9/11-no-planer] Gore Vidal. Editorial Board: ... [future 9/11-no-planer] Richard Falk, Marcus G. Raskin [founder Institute for Policy Studies]...*

*"The Kissinger commission's report provides a convenient point of departure. That document simply assumes that the revolutionary tide sweeping the nations south of our border is an unnatural, malign - and reversible - force. ...*

*593: Out of Zaire: Where Mobutu's Millions Go [by] Jonathan Kwitny."*

► [thenation.com/about/ masthead.mhtml](http://thenation.com/about/masthead.mhtml) (Dec. 10, 2000): *"Publisher and Editorial Director: Victor Navasky. Editor: Katrina vanden Heuvel. ...*

*Columnists: ... Alexander Cockburn, Christopher Hitchens [lifelong bisexual Marxist-socialist who became a pro-Iraq War neocon after 9/11 and attacked his mentor Vidal for "9/11 conspiracy theories"]...*

*Contributing Editors: ... Kai Bird ... Robert L. Borosage [director Institute for Policy Studies 1979-] ... Michael Moore ... Gore Vidal...*

*Editorial Board: ... Richard Falk ... Marcus G. Raskin...*

*President: Teresa Stack..."*

► [thenation.com/about/ masthead.mhtml](http://thenation.com/about/masthead.mhtml) (Mar. 22, 2009): *"Editor & Publisher: Katrina vanden Heuvel. President: Teresa Stack. ...*

*Columnists: ... Alexander Cockburn...*

*Contributing Editors: Kai Bird, Robert L. Borosage ... Robert Dreyfuss ... Michael Moore ... Gore Vidal...*

*Editorial Board: ... [Barbara Ehrenreich](#), Richard Falk ... Victor Navasky ... Marcus G. Raskin...*

▶ [thenation.com/authors/ marcus-g-raskin-o/](https://thenation.com/authors/marcus-g-raskin-o/) (accessed: Feb. 19, 2022; Raskin died in Dec. 2017): *"Marcus G. Raskin, a Nation editorial board member... He is a former member of President John F. Kennedy's National Security Council staff and the co-founder of the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, DC."*

▶ [thenation.com/authors /katrina-vanden-heuvel/](https://thenation.com/authors/katrina-vanden-heuvel/) (accessed: Feb. 19, 2022): *"Katrina vanden Heuvel is editorial director and publisher of The Nation. She served as editor of the magazine from 1995 to 2019. She writes a weekly column for The Washington Post."*

▶ The Nation Institute:

▶ [nationinstitute.org/p/about\\_us](https://nationinstitute.org/p/about_us) (accessed: June 9, 2007): *"Founded in 1966, The Nation Institute has a fundamental commitment to the values of free speech and open discourse. ... Board of Trustees: Hamilton Fish, President. Arthur Carter... Victor Navasky... Howard Shapiro... Katrina vanden Heuvel..."*

▶ [nationinstitute.org/about/1004/board\\_of\\_trustees](https://nationinstitute.org/about/1004/board_of_trustees) (accessed: November 27, 2015): *"David R. Jones, Board Chair ... Victor Navasky ... Katrina vanden Heuvel..."*

▶ Katrina vanden Heuvel is the daughter of former [Pilgrims Society](#) member, Pilgrims Foundation officer and the intelligence-connected William vanden Heuvel, who is also a Rockefeller friend.

▶ The Nation magazine is massively financed by foundations as Ford, Rockefeller, Soros and others through its Nation Institute.

▶ Ford Foundation grants to The Nation Institute (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants 2006-2015): "

- 116170. Nation Institute ... 2011 \$300,000.

- 117715. Nation Institute ... 2011 \$318,500.

- 119825. Nation Institute ... 2013 \$300,000.

- 123060. Nation Institute ... 2014 \$50,000.

- 121010. Nation Institute ... 2014 \$370,000."

Total: \$1,338,500.

▶ [rbf.org/grantees/nation-institute](https://rbf.org/grantees/nation-institute) (accessed: Aug. 11, 2022; [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#)): *"nationinstitute.org ... \$30,000 for 12 months. Awarded: Apr 5, 2018 For its Journalism Fellowship program. ... \$20,000 for 12 months. Awarded: Dec 5, 2017."*

▶ July 9, 2011, Bob Feldman article on Wrong Kind of Green, 'FLASHBACK: Democracy Now! Show Funder Censors Anti-War Journalist John Pilger': *"According to the [Lannan Foundation](#)'s Form 990 financial filing for 2008, Amy Goodman's [Democracy Now!](#) Productions was given*



three grants, totaling \$375,000, by the Lannan Foundation. And that same year the Lannan Foundation also gave three grants, totaling \$545,000, to The Nation!/Nation Institute alternative left media group..."

► [discoverthenetworks.org/groupProfile.asp?grpId=6780](http://discoverthenetworks.org/groupProfile.asp?grpId=6780) (accessed: December 17, 2015): "The Nation Institute receives funding from the Gilder Foundation, the Irene Diamond Fund, the JKW Foundation, the [Lannan Foundation](#), the New York Community Trust, the [Open Society Institute](#), the PLACE Fund, the Public Welfare Foundation, the [Schumann Center for Media and Democracy](#), and the Stewart R. Mott Charitable Trust."

► 2001, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "Nation Institute... A grant of \$15,000..."

► **Hamilton Fish V: George Soros** employee. Fish is perhaps best known for his work revitalizing The Nation magazine, and its sister foundation, the Nation Institute. In 1977, Fish teamed up with Victor Navasky and began the work of recruiting investors to acquire The Nation. Together with the help of a group of limited partners that included E.L. Doctorow, Norman Lear [founder of [People for the American Way](#)], Alan Sagner, and Dorothy Schiff, Fish and Navasky began a decade-long partnership as publisher and editor of the country's oldest political weekly. ... From 1995 to 2009 Fish served as President of The Nation Institute, the foundation associated with The Nation magazine. ... At the invitation of The Nation Editor Katrina vanden Heuvel, he is overseeing preparations for the celebration of The Nation's 150th anniversary in 2015.

► July 18, 2000, New York Post, 'The Soros Convention': "Would Sen. John McCain be the keynote speaker of an alternative political convention with a distinct far-left aroma that intends to ridicule his Republican Party and is partially financed by the archenemy of the war on drugs, billionaire global financier George Soros? That is McCain's intent, even as other Republicans fall off the list of speakers. McCain is the star attraction July 30 opening the "shadow" convention to be held in Philadelphia while the Republicans meet there beginning July 31. ... McCain's determination to keep his date, while Jack Kemp and apparently Rep. Christopher Shays of Connecticut were breaking theirs, particularly upsets Republican leaders because of the Soros involvement. ... Involved in planning the alternative convention is Soros's political adviser Hamilton Fish V, leftist grandson of the legendary conservative Republican antagonist of Franklin D. Roosevelt, Rep. Hamilton Fish III of New York. The current Fish sits on the board of the [Open Society Institute](#) ( OSI ), Soros's Washington front organization. OSI -- therefore, Soros -- is helping fund the alternative conventions. The Lindesmith Center in New York had been OSI's drug policy arm, lobbying for needle

*exchanges and medicinal marijuana on the road to total legalization. On July 1, it split off and is playing a direct role in the shadow convention, making sure the drug war comes under attack. Arianna Huffington, who not long ago was a conservative activist, has been raising money for the alternative conventions and personally getting on the telephone to dragoon speakers for the Philadelphia and Los Angeles events... McCain was first unaware of the Soros connection with the shadow convention but decided to fulfill his commitment there even after he found out. Republican leaders can only hold their tongues and shake their heads."*

### **The New Republic**

- ▶ April 12, 2012, Washington Post, 'Reed Whittemore, former poet laureate, dies at 92': *"Reed Whittemore, who as a Yale sophomore in 1939 helped start a literary magazine [Furioso] that published some of the eminent poets of the age... [He] also served as literary editor for the New Republic magazine from 1969 to 1973... Mr. Whittemore's [Furioso] magazine collaborator was James Angleton, his Yale roommate and future CIA counterintelligence chief. Furioso was run on a shoestring... "When we were short of money, which was most of the time," Mr. Whittemore later told Time magazine, "we paid off our poets with fine Italian cravats from the stock that the Angleton haberdasher in Italy kept replenishing." ... At 20, [Whittemore] co-founded the literary quarterly Furioso and used his persistence to lure contributions from established Modernist poets including Archibald Macleish, Ezra Pound, e.e. cummings and William Carlos Williams."* Furioso featured Ezra Pound, amongst others.
- ▶ 2014, ISGP, '[Cult of National Security Trolls: Art and Coast to Coast AM](#)': *"The New World Foundation... was established in 1954 with the fortune of Anita McCormick Blaine (1866-1954), a daughter of wealthy industrialist Cyrus McCormick (1809-1884). [145] A younger brother of hers, Harold, married Edith Rockefeller, a sister of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Another key founder of the New World Foundation was Gilbert Harrison, whom had married into the McCormick family in 1951. [146] Harrison was a typical Eastern Establishment liberal: educated at Balliol College, Oxford, summer home at Martha's Vineyard and from 1953 to 1977 editor-in-chief of the liberal magazine [The New Republic](#). [147] That's not all. He worked closely with the CIA's uberliberal Cord Meyer, also through the New World Foundation. [148] Meyer's wife, Mary Pinchot Meyer, later explained that her husband, Harrison and associates were all old boy OSS/CIA and always plotting to get their own favorite presidential candidates in the White House.*

[149] Even within the NGO circuit ties between New World and the CIA were considered "not inconceivable". [150] Thus when fellow-Martha's Vineyard visitors Vernon Jordan and Hillary Clinton ran the New World Foundation in the 1980s and were funding Daniel Sheehan's *Christic Institute*, they simply continued the activities of Cord Meyer and Gil Harrison and might well be have been part of the liberal wing of the CIA. After all, we know the persistent reports and rumors about how Bill Clinton, as a governor of Arkansas, allowed the CIA to import drugs into the country through an airport in Mena [151] and about Roger Clinton's later lobbying for the Gambino crime family, a family that at one point may have benefited from these CIA drug important at Mena. [152] All of a sudden Bill Clinton working with Laurance Rockefeller in spreading UFO disinformation straight from the White House in what appears to be a complex disinformation operation doesn't seem to be that out of place anymore."

- ▶ January 11, 2008, Martha's Vineyard, 'New Republic Editor Gil Harrison Relished Chilmark': *"Mr. Harrison and his wife Nancy began summering on the Vineyard in the late 1950s. ... He was editor and publisher of The New Republic magazine from 1953 until 1974. During his tenure, the magazine was known for its early and forceful opposition to the Viet Nam war. ... He was the first American soldier to enter and report from Nagasaki after the dropping of the atomic bomb. He participated in the founding of the American Veterans Committee in 1943 [which] attracted politically-minded veterans who became politicians and members of President John F. Kennedy's cabinet. He attended Balliol College at Oxford in 1948 and left to work under Gen. Lucius Clay in Berlin during the Russian blockade. He founded the World Veterans Federation in Paris in 1950 and established the Foundation for a Unified and Democratic Germany in a United Europe. In 1951, he married Ann Blaine of Chicago, the great-granddaughter of Cyrus McCormick. The couple lived in Washington, D.C., until her death in 1977." ... Among his closest [Vineyard] Island friends was the late Michael Straight, who had also been an editor of The New Republic [and of the family which owned it]."*
- ▶ January 8, 2008, New York Times, 'Gilbert Harrison, 92, Ex-Editor, Dies': *"Harrison was the owner and editor of The New Republic, an influential though rarely profitable publication, from 1953 to 1974. Under him, the magazine was a strong voice on behalf of the civil rights movement. After initially supporting the war in Vietnam, it became a forceful opponent of it, repeatedly criticizing presidents Lyndon B. Johnson and Richard M. Nixon. In 1968, the magazine refused to endorse Hubert H. Humphrey, the eventual Democratic Party nominee, and proposed the creation of a new political party to*

be headed by Eugene J. McCarthy, the liberal senator from Minnesota who had unsuccessfully sought the presidential nomination. "Lot's of old friendships were strained, if not snapped," Mr. Harrison said in a 1974 interview with *The New York Times*, "but that's what this magazine is all about." In the early 1970s, with noted journalists like Walter Pincus writing about Watergate and Stanley Karnow writing on foreign affairs, the magazine's circulation rose to about 100,000. "We've never been in a better financial position than we are now," Mr. Harrison said in 1974, acknowledging that in the past "we've gauged our success by the size of our losses." "You can say lossess ranged from about \$200,000 to \$50,000 a year," he said. In 1974, for \$380,000, Mr. Harrison sold the magazine to Martin Peretz [advisory board Washington Institute for Near East Policy (WINEP)], then a 35-year-old social studies lecturer at Harvard. last year, Mr. Peretz sold his shares to CanWest Global Communications, a Canadian media conglomerate, but stayed on as editor in chief. Founded in 1914, by Willard and Dorothy Straight with Herbert Croly as first editor, *The New Republic* originally became known for its advocacy of Woodrow Wilson's world peace initiative. It later appealed to Depression-ear intellectuals "to take communism away from the communists." It championed Roosevelt's New Deal. At first it questioned, but then supported, the nation's entry into World War II."

- ▶ 2000, Gilbert Jones, 'One Shining Moment', p. 124: "*Gil Harrison, an AVC colleague of Cord Meyer, phoned me during this period to demand that the World Board accept the decision to halt the grant without resorting to legal action. ... Harrison formed the [New World Foundation](#) as a vehicle for funding his pet causes, mostly liberal, under Vernon Eagle's direction [from 1957 until his death in 1974].*"

## The Progressive

- ▶ Liberal magazine founded in 1909 by Senator Robert La Follette. Initially called La Follette's Weekly, in 1929 it was renamed to The Progressive. It is alternately called Progressive magazine.
- ▶ Small circulation:
  - ▶ 1999: 27,000.
  - ▶ 2004: 65,000.
  - ▶ 2010: 47,000.
- ▶ Authors published: Noam Chomsky, Seymour Hersh, Martin Luther King, Jr., George Orwell, Marcus Raskin, Bertrand Russell, I.F. Stone, James Wechsler, Howard Zinn, J. William Fulbright, Dennis Kucinich, George McGovern, Bernie Sanders, Adlai Stevenson, and Paul Wellstone.

- ▶ January 9, 2015, Capital Research Center (financed by Koch, Scaife and Bradley foundations), 'Trendsetters of the Left': *"The Progressive, which was founded in 1909 by Sen. Robert La Follette of Wisconsin who began his political life as a Republican but changed his party affiliation to Progressive. The journal was originally called La Follette's Weekly. ... In the 1990s, the magazine published left-wing writers such as [Noam Chomsky](#), Molly Ivins, and Howard Zinn. ... Among the major donors to The Progressive and the Progressive Media Project are the [John S. and James L. Knight Foundation](#) (\$60,000 since 2000) and the [Tides Foundation](#) (\$30,328 since 2004)."*
- ▶ 2007, Bob Feldman, draft of an article that would later appear in the peer-reviewed journal Critical Sociology, 'Left Media & Left Think Tanks: Foundation-Managed Protest?' ([PDF](#)): *"In 1998, for instance, the [Ford Foundation](#) gave Progressive magazine a \$200,000 grant. That same year, the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) also gave a \$50,000 grant to Progressive magazine. In 2000, the Ford Foundation gave two more grants, totaling \$250,000, to Progressive magazine; and, in 2002, an additional \$120,000 in grant money was also given to Progressive magazine by the [John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#)."*

## Online news

### AlterNet

- ▶ [truth-out.org/author/itemlist/user/45061](http://truth-out.org/author/itemlist/user/45061) (accessed: November 28, 2015): *"Don Hazen is executive director of the Independent Media Institute and executive editor of [AlterNet](#). The former publisher of [Mother Jones magazine](#), he has edited several books, including, most recently, *Start Making Sense: Turning the Lessons of Election 2004 into Winning Progressive Politics*. Don conceived of and organized the two Media & Democracy Congresses that took place in San Francisco and New York City in 1997 and 1998, and has managed political campaigns in New York City for Ruth Messinger and David Dinkins. He holds an MA in counseling from the University of Massachusetts and a BA in politics from Princeton University."*
- ▶ 2007, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): *"Independent Media Institute, San Francisco, CA. A two-year grant of \$500,000 of which \$330,000 is for general support of Alternet..."*
- ▶ [alternet.org/about/foundations.html](http://alternet.org/about/foundations.html) (accessed: May 10, 2006): *"AlterNet.org is a project of the Independent Media Institute. 2005-2006 Foundation supporters include: - [Arca](#)*

*Foundation. ... - Branscomb Family Foundation. - Cloud Mountain Foundation. - Compton Foundation. ... - Nathan Cummings Foundation. - Open Society Institute. - Park Foundation. ... - RSF Social Community Fund [Rudolf Steiner Foundation]. - Schumann Center for Media and Democracy. - Threshold Foundation. - Town Creek Foundation. - Wallace Global Fund. - Working Assets Grantmaking Fund of the Tides Foundation."*

- ▶ [alternet.org/about/foundations.html](http://alternet.org/about/foundations.html) (accessed: May 10, 2008): "AlterNet.org is a project of the Independent Media Institute. 2007-2008 Foundation supporters include: - Alki Fund of the Tides Foundation. - Arca Foundation. - Bauman Foundation. - Carnegie Corporation of New York. - Cloud Mountain Foundation. - Compton Foundation. - Funding Exchange (Donor Advised). - Glaser Progress Foundation. - LP Brown Foundation. - Nathan Cummings Foundation. - Panta Rhea Foundation. - Park Foundation. - Anonymous Donor of RSF Social Finance [Rudolf Steiner Foundation]. - Wallace Global Fund. - Working Assets Grantmaking Fund of the Tides Foundation."

- ▶ Loves to discredit conspiracy:

- ▶ October 24, 2006, Soros-funded [AlterNet](#) article copy from [Rollingstone.com](#), 'Before the 9/11 Conspiracies, There Was the Oklahoma Bombing': *"Much of the faulty logic and circumstantial evidence that justifies the 9/11 conspiracies are repeats of the theories that abounded in Timothy McVeigh's Oklahoma City bombing. Over a month after I first wrote a column slamming the 9/11 Truth movement, I continue to get hate mail in massive quantities. A group of Truthers even picketed my office, and I'm still picking food particles out of my scarf after an incident in which the movement's house lunatic, a wild-eyed German blogger named Nico Haupt, tried to goad me into slugging him in a West Side diner. "Go ahead, heet me, then I haf beeg story!" he roared, scream-spitting half-digested detritus in my face. ... Obviously, Nico Haupt does not represent the "mainstream" 9/11 Truth Movement, whatever that is. Even in my own experience I know this to be true. The colleagues of Haupt's from 911Truth.org whom I met that day were universally polite, respectful, and very sincere in their beliefs. True, they had some slightly bent ideas (one woman insisted with a straight face that the military was "behind all that Brad and Jennifer stuff"), but as a group they were nice, earnest people. Unfortunately, I get the sense that these same nice people have a tendency to turn hostile, venomous and unrelentingly paranoid once they get logged back into an email server, which is why most journalists I know won't go near the 9/11 Truth issue*

*more than once, if at all. ...*

*In that case, it was mostly right-wing conspiracy theorists who came up with the idea that the McVeigh/Nichols fertilizer bomb could not possibly have felled the Murrah building, and that the real cause of the building's collapse was a much more powerful "second explosion" planned by the government and executed using more powerful demolition explosives. Here's the lede of a report from World Net Daily, which shortly thereafter would become a major purveyor of 9/11 conspiracy theories, from May 18, 2001: "Multiple witnesses reported hearing more than one explosion the day the Alfred P. Murrah Building in Oklahoma City was bombed, while other explosives experts contend that the damage done to the building could not have been caused by a single bomb placed outside in a truck." Just like the subsequent 9/11 conspiracy theories, the Oklahoma "second bomb" champions applied intense focus to the initial news reports right after the explosions (ignoring reports published later, by which time various discrepancies were cleared up), during which time numerous reports surfaced indicating that second and third explosive devices had been found, and that secondary explosions had been heard. And just like the 9/11 Truthers, the Oklahoma conspiracists quoted TV anchormen and women who opined offhandedly that the bombings seemed to be the work of sophisticated demolitions experts. Remember the Dan Rather clip used in Loose Change in which the anchorman says the collapse of WTC-7 is "reminiscent" of a controlled demolition? Here's how that worked in OKC: "This is the work of a sophisticated group, this is a very sophisticated device," says one Oklahoma newscaster, in a much-circulated video of early Oklahoma news broadcasts, "and it has to have been done by an explosives expert." ... One need hardly mention that "steel-reinforced" would a few years later become one of the most-widely circulated phrases on the internet (third place, after "rock hard penis" and "buy vicodin online"), in connection with both the Pentagon and the WTC, which were variously supposed to be impenetrable or unshakeable. "For that hole to have been caused by Flight 77," barks Loose Change about the Pentagon crash, "the Boeing would have had to smash through nine feet of steel-reinforced concrete, traveling 310 feet." Says wanttoknow.info of WTC: "First Steel-Reinforced Skyscraper To Ever Collapse in Fire!" "Steel-reinforced" made great waves with the Murrah revisionists, but the likes of Jasper and Grabbe were not quite reputable enough. For the conspiracy*



*theory to really take off, a true authority was needed to put his stamp on the case. So along came Ted Gunderson, who carried the impressive title of a former Special Agent in Charge of the FBI. Gunderson's analysis of Oklahoma City was a staple of conspiracy websites. ... Both Oklahoma City conspiracy theorists and 9/11 revisionists circulated "eyewitness accounts" of strange men in suits confiscating evidence -- the last link in the coverup. Regarding the Oklahoma City bombing, here's an account from [www.whatreallyhappened.com](http://www.whatreallyhappened.com)... Compare that to this account (complete with photo) from 9-1-1Research.com of the cleanup at the Pentagon after 9/11..."*

## Brave New Films

- ▶ Liberal new left documetary-producing outfit founded by Robert Greenwald in the wake of 9/11. It produced documentaries on all kinds of key outrages of the Bush administration (except [involvement in 9/11](#)): election fraud, the Iraq War, Fox News, etc. It also attacked the drone wars under the Obama administration and then went on to undermine the Trump administration.
- ▶ On November 17, 2006 Robert Greenwald appeared on [Axis of Justice](#) radio of Rage Against the Machine's Tom Morello and System of a Down Serj Tankian, discussed in ISGP's "[Liberal CIA](#)": [Music article](#).
- ▶ Brave New World and Robert Greenwald productions:
  - ▶ *Unprecedented: The 2000 Presidential Election* (2002)
  - ▶ *The Crooked E: The Unshredded Truth About Enron* (2003)
  - ▶ [Uncovered: The War on Iraq](#) (2004)
  - ▶ *Outfoxed: Rupert Murdoch's War on Journalism* (2004)
  - ▶ *Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price* (2005)
  - ▶ *Iraq for Sale: The War Profiteers* (2006)
  - ▶ *Rethink Afghanistan* (2009)
  - ▶ *Koch Brothers Exposed* (2012)
  - ▶ *War on Whistleblowers* (2013)
  - ▶ *Unmanned: America's Drone Wars* (2013)
  - ▶ December 11, 2017, Time, 'Donald Trump's Sexual Misconduct Accusers Speak: Watch Live': *"This is the first time the women will appear together to tell their stories about Trump, according to Brave New Films..."*
  - ▶ [bravenewfilms.org/16women](http://bravenewfilms.org/16women) (accessed: November 22, 2018): *"In the video, 16 Women and Donald Trump, we put together the stories of women who have reported being sexually harassed or sexually assaulted by Donald Trump."*
- ▶ Katrina vanden Heuvel, daughter of intelligence-tied [Pilgrims](#)

[Society](#) secretary and executive William vanden Heuvel, has been a board member of Brave New Films:

- ▶ 2014 annual report, Brave New Films, p. 16: *"Special Thanks To Our Board Members: ... Robert Greenwald ... Katrina vanden Heuvel..."*
- ▶ Funding and partnerships:
  - ▶ [David Rockefeller Fund](#): [drfund.org/programs/arts/](http://drfund.org/programs/arts/) (accessed: April 19, 2020): *"2019: ... Brave New Films: ... \$25,000. ...2018: ... Brave New Films... \$25,000."*
  - ▶ 2006-2017 [Ford Foundation](#) grants list: *"Brave New Films: 2009: \$250,000. ... 2010: \$575,000. ... 2011: \$500,000 [and] \$50,000 [and] \$300,000... 2012: \$500,000. ... 2013: \$750,000 [and] \$300,000 [and] \$50,000. ... 2014: \$300,000 [and] \$250,000. ... 2015: \$175,000. ... 2016: \$200,000. ..."*
  - ▶ 2014 annual report, Brave New Films, p. 15: *"\$200,000 and Above: Bohemian Foundation. Ford Foundation. [Soros'] Open Society Foundations. Tides Foundation. \$100,000 and Above: Anonymous. The Californian Wellness Foundation. \$50,000 and Above: The [Nathan Cummings Foundation](#)... Wallace Global Fund... \$20,000 and Above: ... [Arca Foundation](#) ... [Park Foundation](#) ... Paul Rudd ... \$5,000 and Above: ... [Streisand Foundation](#) ... \$1,000 and Above: [Alec Baldwin](#). ... And the 3,232 donors who contributed \$249 and under in 2014."*
  - ▶ [bravenewfilms.org/partners](http://bravenewfilms.org/partners) (accessed: September 19, 2018): *"Open Society Foundations ... ACLU ... Amnesty International ... Human Rights Watch ... People for the American Way ... Indivisible ... The Nation ... Drug Policy Alliance ... NAACP ... Freedom for Immigrants ... NDLO ... United We Dream..."*

## Business Insider

- ▶ For-profit enterprise, so no direct financing by the major ["liberal CIA" foundations](#).
- ▶ Very prominent 2007 "new media"-founded news site that is published in English, Chinese, Dutch, French, Italian, German, Polish and Japanese.
- ▶ Business Insider produces unique news and, at least in the past, often takes an anti-establishment perspective. It even employed future Pizzagate disinformation pusher [David Seaman](#) as a contributor from 2012 to 2014. At the time he mainly dealt with the pushing of Bitcoin and the NSA spying issues. It still kept the status quo, however:

- ▶ August 4, 2011, Business Insider, 'The Truth About George Soros' Radical Vision To Remake The Entire World': *"Soros' 3-step program is focused specifically on the resolving the problems in Eurozone, but it's similar to Soros' vision of a "New World Order," which he has promoted for years. He's made himself a magnet for controversy in the process. A lot of it is outrageously overblown..."*
- ▶ Liberal elite and Bilderberg ties of Business Insider:
- ▶ Business Insider was co-founded in 2009 by Kevin P. Ryan, who has a very elite history, including Yale, INSEAD, the CFR and DAVOS:
  - ▶ [weforum.org/people/kevin-p-ryan](http://weforum.org/people/kevin-p-ryan) (DAVOS; accessed: March 17, 2018): *"Kevin P. Ryan: Founder and Chairman, Gilt Groupe Inc. ... BA, Yale University; MBA, INSEAD. ... positions with Euro Disney, France; Senior Vice-President, Business and Finance, United Media. ... Member: INSEAD International Alumni Council; Yale International Council; Council on Foreign Relations [CFR]; Advisory Board, Doctors Without Borders (until 2010 chaired by David Rockefeller son Dr. Richard Rockefeller, who founded the organization in 1989). Member of the Board: Yale Corporation, Human Rights Watch; NYC Investment Fund; INSEAD."*
- ▶ Co-founder with Kevin Ryan is Business Insider editor-in-chief and CEO Henry Blodget: educated at the super-elite Phillips Exeter Academy. BA in history from Yale. Background at Harper's Magazine, CNN and Slate and knew a future The Atlantic editor at Yale:
  - ▶ April 8, 2013, The New Yorker, 'Business Outsider: Can a disgraced Wall Street analyst earn trust as a journalist?': *"Business Insider was started in 2007, by Kevin P. Ryan, an Internet entrepreneur, and Blodget, who became the C.E.O. and the editor-in-chief. ... Business Insider now draws twenty-four million unique monthly users, more than CNBC. Among business-oriented sites, only the Wall Street Journal, Forbes, and Bloomberg have more online users. ... it offers original reporting. ... [Blodget's] father was a successful banker, and his mother was an elementary-school teacher. At Phillips Exeter Academy, he played tennis and worked on the school paper and the yearbook. He was accepted at Yale, where his father had been a star athlete. ... James Bennet, the editor of The Atlantic and a friend and former classmate, recalls Blodget... [Became] a proofreader at Harper's, a reporter at a small newspaper in Massachusetts, and a reporter on the business-news desk at CNN... He joined Oppenheimer & Co. ... Blodget had left Merrill Lynch by then. ... In 2004, Blodget says,*

he contacted Jacob Weisberg, the editor of Slate... Weisberg ... arranged for him to blog regularly from the [Martha Stewart] trial. ... in early 2007, Ryan approached Blodget with the idea of an online business publication [Business Insider]... Two reporters from Forbes.com [joined]..."

- ▶ In 2015 Business Insider was bought by German publisher Axel Springer SE (named after a rather transatlantic-oriented publisher), Europe's largest digital publishing house and owner of the Bild and Die Welt newspapers. Chairman and CEO of Axel Springer is Mathias Dopfner, who visited Bilderberg in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- ▶ September 29, 2015, Business Insider, 'German publishing powerhouse Axel Springer buys Business Insider at a whopping \$442 million valuation': *"Business Insider [was] founded in 2007 by Henry Blodget, Dwight Merriman, and Kevin Ryan... Axel Springer already owned a portion of Business Insider from previous funding rounds. It is purchasing an additional 88% for \$343 million, bringing its total ownership to 97%. Jeff Bezos' investment arm will own the remaining 3%. ... Mathias Dopfner [is] CEO of Axel Springer SE... Kenneth Lerer [a] Co-Founder of Huffington Post and Chairman of BuzzFeed, will receive a seat on the Board of Business Insider."*
- ▶ Business Insider US editor-in-chief Alyson Shontell:
  - ▶ [weforum.org/people/alyson-shontell-lombardi](http://weforum.org/people/alyson-shontell-lombardi) (DAVOS; accessed: March 17, 2018): *"Syracuse University. July 2008, joined Business Insider as its sixth employee; started as a sales planner [rising to] Editor-in-Chief, Business Insider US [since August 2016]. Host of Business Insider's conferences; has a podcast, "Success! How I Did It," interviewing influencers ranging from Sheryl Sandberg to LeBron James and Steve Ballmer [all three Sun Valley participants]... Has appeared on ABC, Good Morning America, Al Jazeera, MSNBC, CNBC, CNN and CBC. Judge, Gerald Loeb Awards in business journalism."*

## Buzzfeed

- ▶ For-profit enterprise, so no direct financing by the major "liberal CIA" foundations.
- ▶ Ultra-liberal, Democracy Alliance-tied new media online news site founded in 2006 by Jonah Peretti, John S. Johnson III and Kenneth Lerer. Jonah Peretti and Ken Lerer co-founded the Soros and "liberal CIA" foundations-linked [Huffington Post](http://HuffingtonPost.com) in 2005. Johnson is a contributor to the Huffington Post. Today

Ken Lerer also sits on the board of the Bilderberg-owned [Business Insider](#) online newspaper.

- ▶ BuzzFeed co-founder and chairman John S. Johnson, III helps finance George Soros' Democracy Alliance and received funding from the MacArthur Foundation for one of his projects:
  - ▶ [huffingtonpost.com/author/john-s-johnson](https://huffingtonpost.com/author/john-s-johnson) (accessed: March 17, 2018): "John Johnson is the founder and chairperson of the Pacific Foundation [financier of [George Soros](#) and [Drummond Pike](#)'s Democracy Alliance]... He is the chairperson and co-founder of [buzzfeed.com](#)... [Founded] Eyebeam, a [MacArthur \[Foundation\]](#) and NEA funded, pioneering art and technology center for hackers, artists, and educators..."
  - ▶ [thepacificfoundation.org/board.html](https://thepacificfoundation.org/board.html) (accessed: March 17, 2018): "*John S. Johnson, III, Board Chair.*"
  - ▶ [thepacificfoundation.org/grantees.html](https://thepacificfoundation.org/grantees.html) (accessed: March 17, 2018): "*[4 listed:] - Free Press. - Eyebeam. - [Soros-founded] Democracy Alliance.*"
  - ▶ November 14, 2016, Politico, 'Soros bands with donors to resist Trump, 'take back power': "*The Democracy Alliance was launched after the 2004 election by Soros, the late insurance mogul Peter Lewis, and a handful of fellow Democratic mega-donors who had combined to spend tens of millions trying to boost then-Sen. John Kerry's ultimately unsuccessful challenge to then-President George W. Bush.*"
- ▶ Jonah Peretti:
  - ▶ June 1, 2017, Business Insider, 'How BuzzFeed CEO Jonah Peretti took an instant messaging bot and turned it into a \$1.5 billion media empire': "*Jonah Peretti is the CEO and founder of BuzzFeed... Before starting BuzzFeed, Peretti launched The Huffington Post along with Ariana Huffington, Ken Lerer and the late conservative firebrand, Andrew Breitbart. ... Peretti recently spoke with [Business Insider's](#) US Editor-in-Chief, Alyson Shontell, for the podcast "Success! How I Did It." In this episode, we cover: ... How he first met Arianna Huffington, who invited him to her home and cooked him breakfast.*"
- ▶ Kenneth Lerer, co-founder and chairman of The Huffington Post, started as a co-founder and investor in BuzzFeed and is now the executive chairman as well
- ▶ April 16, 2007, The Observer, 'Obama's Big Night in Town': "*Mr. Obama's Manhattan money-raising spree began well before sunset at the Central Park West apartment of Huffington Post co-founder Kenneth Lerer... Tom Brokaw [was present]...*"
- ▶ [lererhippeau.com/team/](http://lererhippeau.com/team/) (accessed: March 17, 2018): "*Ken is a*

*Managing Partner at Lerer Hippeau. He cofounded The Huffington Post and is Chairman of BuzzFeed. Ken sits on the boards of Viacom..."*

- ▶ October 13, 2016, Recode.net, 'Discovery and the Lerer family are combining in a \$550 million deal': *"Discovery CEO David Zaslav [is a [Sun Valley Meeting](#) participant]... Discovery Communications is putting \$100 million into a deal with Group Nine Media, a new holding company that combines some Discovery assets with Thrillist Media Group, The Dodo and NowThis Media. ... The deal gives Discovery 35 percent of Group Nine, with the option to buy a controlling stake in two years. ... Thrillist, Dodo and NowThis are all run by or backed by members of the Lerer family... Discovery's investment seems to parallel ones NBCUniversal made last year, when it bought minority stakes in BuzzFeed and Vox Media — which owns this site — for \$200 million apiece. ... Ken Lerer, who has spent years in digital, now has significant ties to three big traditional TV companies: ... Discovery-Group Nine and NBCUniversal-BuzzFeed [and] Viacom..."*

## Consortium News

- ▶ Ran by Robert Parry, a major critic on the Moonie Cult and allied ultraright national security networks linked to Iran Contra. Starts to spew venom, however, when questions about [9/11 Truth](#) are brought up.
- ▶ Board of directors with disinformers:
  - ▶ consortiumnews.com (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"Board of Directors: Diane Duston, President. Julie Bergman Sender. [Daniel Ellsberg](#) [of the Soros and other "liberal CIA"-tied Freedom of the Press Foundation]. [Sen. Mike Gravel](#) [raging conspiracy disinformers with regard to Holocaust denial, 9/11 and UFO disclosure]. [Ray McGovern](#) [former top-level CIA officer and darling of America's anti-war movement, including 9/11 "Truth"]. [Nat Parry](#). [Sam Parry](#). [John Pilger](#) [who spread disinfo on the [RFK assassination](#)]. [Gareth Porter](#)."*
- ▶ Has given space to Roberto Savio of the United Nations, Soros, Rockefeller, Ford Foundation, etc.-backed/ran [Inter Press Service](#):
  - ▶ July 25, 2019, Roberto Savio for Consortiumnews.com, 'The Precipitous Barbarisation of Our Times': *"In order to win election, U.S. President Donald Trump has made racism one of his banner issues and, in a country of immigrants, this has given him an increase of 5 points in opinion polls."*
- ▶ Funding:
  - ▶ [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](#) ([Park Foundation](#); accessed: February 29, 2016): "

- 2015: ... Consortium for Independent Journalism, Inc. Arlington, VA. Consortiumnews.com. General Operating Expenses. \$20,000 [www.consortiumnews.com](http://www.consortiumnews.com).
- 2014: ... Consortium for Independent Journalism, Inc. Arlington, VA. General operating support. \$10,000. [www.consortiumnews.com](http://www.consortiumnews.com).
- 2013: ... Consortium for Independent Journalism, Inc. Arlington, VA. General operating support. \$10,000. [consortiumnews.com](http://consortiumnews.com).
- 2011: ... Consortium for Independent Journalism, Inc. Arlington, VA General operating support \$20,000 [consortiumnews.com](http://consortiumnews.com)."

- ▶ 2010 comments from [Oliver Stone](#) at the Santa Barbara Film Festival (from Youtube clip): "As [Robert] Parry said in his Consortium News website - I don't know if you are familiar with it - he was very involved in the 1980s and he just goes on about in very great detail how the right has bought the media from the 1970s with a concerted effort ... and now they've bought into the net heavily. So they are everywhere. And they have big money. And whereas the so-called liberals have not been able to purchase and hang in there for the fight. So it's over in that educational sense." It is exactly the liberal establishment Stone has been so close to [through to CIA-Rockefeller-dominated U.S. Cuba Trade Association](#) that still dominates the media. Like Parry, Stone also does not support any inquiries into 9/11.
- ▶ Robert Parry is an extremist critic of 9/11 conspiracy theories:
  - ▶ September 15, 2010, Robert Parry for Consortium News, 'America's Decoupling from Reality': *"...these activists, who became known as '9/11 truthers,' threw out all the evidence of al-Qaeda's involvement... cherry-picked a few supposed 'anomalies'... recycled many of the Right's sophistry techniques... Some supporters of the "inside-job" theory may have simply been destabilized by all the years of right-wing disinformation. Reality and real evidence may have lost all currency, replaced by a deep and understandable distrust of the nation's leaders and the news media."*
  - ▶ January 15, 2011, Robert Parry for Consortium News, 'The 9/11 "Truth" Parlor Game': *"truthers" insist that no plane hit the Pentagon; that Bush's team attacked it with a missile. However, nobody saw a missile. Nor would there be any way to explain the plane wreckage on the grounds, since nobody saw more Bush operatives driving around the Pentagon grounds planting fake pieces of the plane – even as emergency personnel and others rushed to the crash site. To label the "truther" version of the 9/11 events nutty would seem an understatement – and there are other parts, including stuff about fabricated voice*



messages, that are arguably crazier. Indeed, the "truther" account has sometimes struck me as a parody meant to bring ridicule on more serious conspiracy investigations such as those into the JFK assassination. As I pointed out in the earlier story – the one focused on Palin's victimhood – there has not been a single witness (or document) emerging from the ranks of Bush's supposed operatives to suggest that any of the "truther" narrative happened – even though the scope of this conspiracy would have required scores, if not hundreds, of participants. Having covered many real government conspiracies in my career, I can assure you that there are always witnesses who speak for a variety of reasons: a guilty conscience, a boast to a girlfriend, a plea bargain when they get in legal trouble on something else. In writing about Oliver North's secret Iran-Contra network in the 1980s, our team at the Associated Press had two dozen sources. For our first Contra-cocaine story in 1985, Brian Barger and I had a similar number of sources, including documents from Costa Rica and a White House official describing a CIA analytical report on a Contra helicopter purchased with drug profits. Yet for the "truther" conspiracy theory, more than nine years have passed and not a single witness has emerged who participated in planting the explosives floor by floor in the Twin Towers or carrying out the missile attack on the Pentagon or any other capacity that the conspiracy would have required. ... My concern about the "truther" movement dated back to almost its origin. Because of the position of Consortiumnews.com as an Internet site which has investigated real conspiracies since 1995, I was in on many of the early e-mail exchanges regarding the 9/11 case. Essentially, the discussion broke down this way: Some participants felt that Bush had demonstrated his arrogance and incompetence when he brushed aside warnings about a likely al-Qaeda attack. (This is the position that I personally feel is best supported by the available evidence). A second group, however, took the same evidentiary frame and gave it a nasty twist, that Bush knew the attack was coming and "let it happen." (Though I don't believe there is sufficient evidence to support this conclusion, this analysis at least has the benefit of some factual foundation.) But there was a third group, which maintained that something more dramatic was needed, that Bush had so bamboozled the American people that they needed to be shocked out of their trance – and to do that required convincing them that "Bush made it happen." Perhaps, because of its splashier allegations, the "Bush made it happen" crowd -- with

*claims about "controlled demolitions" and a "missile hitting the Pentagon" -- emerged as the dominant force in the "truther" movement, eclipsing those who favored more targeted investigations into such areas as 9/11 funding and the role of Bush's allies in the Saudi royal family. ... Given how a mentally disturbed young person can process information (or disinformation), it is incumbent on all of us who speak in today's public square to be responsible, especially when we make serious allegations like suggesting that Bush and the U.S. government "made" 9/11 happen. ... By floating unsubstantiated and bizarre claims about "controlled demolitions" and a "missile hitting the Pentagon," the "truthers" actually make it harder to proceed with investigations into important areas of doubt about 9/11, like the financing and the Saudi role."*

## Counterpunch

- ▶ Very popular online monthly magazine founded in 1994 as a printed newsletter and taken online in 1998. Founded by Ken Silverstein, the newsletter/online magazine was co-edited by Jeffrey St. Clair and Alexander Cockburn from 1996 to 2012, when Cockburn died.
- ▶ Contributors to Counterpunch have included: Robert Fisk, [Ralph Nader](#), [John Pilger](#) [[spread disinfo on the RFK assassination](#)], [Noam Chomsky](#), Cynthia McKinney, Israel Shamir ([Wikileaks](#)), Boris Kagarlitsky (a pro-West, anti-Putin, Transnational Institute/[IPS](#)-employed politician in Russia), John Stauber, and Fidel Castro.
- ▶ The right-wing 9/11 Truther Paul Craig Roberts, a favorite of [Alex Jones](#), contributed to Counterpunch with his October 4, 2011 article *The Day America Died*.
- ▶ Counterpunch has prominently featured articles of members and steering group members of Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity (VIPS), including former CIA officers and conspiracy disinformers Ray McGovern, David MacMichael and Bill and Kathleen Christison:
  - ▶ May 19, 2003, Counterpunch, 'A Letter to Kofi Annan on the Missing Evidence': *"As the role of intelligence on Iraq assumed critical importance over the past several months, we established Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity (VIPS) as a collegial body to monitor the unfolding of events. Our first analytic paper was a same-day commentary on Secretary of State Colin Powell's performance at the UN Security Council on February 5.*  
*Respectfully yours, Kathleen McGrath Christison, Santa*

*Fe, NM. - William Christison, Santa Fe, NM. - David MacMichael, Linden, VA. - Raymond McGovern, Arlington, VA. Steering Group Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity. The VIPS can be reached at: [vips@counterpunch.org](mailto:vips@counterpunch.org)"*

- ▶ Ray McGovern, who as chairman of the CIA's National Intelligence Estimate during the Reagan and first Bush administration until 1990 provided these presidents with their daily intelligence briefs and post-9/11 became a favorite of [Alex Jones](#) and 9/11 Truth in general, has been a major contributor to Counterpunch from 2003 (April 23, 2003, 'Weapons of Mass Destruction'; June 27, 2003, 'Cheney, Forgery and the CIA') all the way to 2016 (May 19, 2009, 'How Colin Powell Got Duped by the CIA'; January 27, 2016, 'Iraq, Rumsfeld and Other Thugs', etc.) and beyond.
- ▶ Former CIA analyst [David MacMichael](#), a [conspiracy disinformant](#) who has been associated with the Christic Institute and Michael Ruppert's CIA drug trafficking stories, has been an important contributor to Counterpunch since 2003 (March 15, 2003, 'Cooking Intelligence for War') until at least 2015 (July 23, 2015, 'Obama Should Release MH-17 Intel')
- ▶ July 23, 2015, VIPS for Counterpunch, 'Obama Should Release MH-17 Intel': *"For the Steering Group, Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity: [NSA whistleblower] - William Binney, - Thomas Drake, - Edward Loomis [and] - Kirk Wiebe [and other steering group members] - [Pentagon no-planer] [Karen Kwiatkowski](#), - David MacMichael, - Ray McGovern..."*
- ▶ [Bill Christison](#), a Pentagon-no-plane and hijackers-still-alive disinformant, has been a major contributor to Counterpunch from 2002 until his death in early 2010, along with his wife Kathleen. Together they wrote numerous anti-U.S. imperialism, anti-Bush, anti-neocon and anti-Israel articles.
- ▶ Counterpunch stories have frequently featured in the lists of [Project Censored](#), which is partly financed by the [Stern Family Fund](#) and [Tides Foundation](#).
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ The non-profit behind Counterpunch is called the Institute for the Advancement of Journalistic Clarity. While seemingly almost as independent as Rolling Stone magazine, in 2011 Counterpunch received a \$2,000 grant from the [Lannan Foundation](#). It appears Counterpunch received no or very little foundation money besides this, although it appears if the magazine needs it, it appears can be counted upon.
  - ▶ In addition, its primary editor, the anti-conspiracy theory

Alexander Cockburn, has extensive experience at foundation-financed magazines as [Harper's](#) and [The Nation](#).

- ▶ As it turns out, Cockburn's niece, Laura Flanders (July 31, 2012, Counterpunch, 'An Interview with Laura Flanders on Alexander Cockburn': *"Laura Flanders ... obviously was very close to Alex [Cockburn]. [She was] his niece..."*), was founding director of the women's desk of [Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting \(FAIR\)](#), which has received millions in funding from elite NGOs as [Ford](#), [MacArthur](#) and [Rockefeller](#). She also produced and hosted CounterSpin, FAIR's syndicated radio program, for a decade and also wrote for similar "liberal CIA"-financed magazine as [The Nation](#), [Yes! Magazine](#), [In These Times](#), [The Progressive](#) and [Ms. Magazine](#).

▶ Alexander Cockburn biography:

- ▶ He and his brothers Andrew and Patrick (also prominent writers) are descended from Admiral Sir George Cockburn (1772-1853), who ordered the burning of Washington in 1814, and come from aristocratic Irish/British circles.
- ▶ Graduated from Oxford University in literature and language in 1963. Managing editor of the New Left Review 1966-1967, assistant editor Times Literary Supplement, and then at The New Statesman since 1967.
- ▶ Life-long leftist who openly identified himself as a Marxist, socialist and anarchist.
- ▶ Defended British socialist protesting the Vietnam War in a 1968 letter to The Times.
- ▶ Married to Emma Tennant 1968-1973, with whom he had a daughter in 1969.
- ▶ Moved to the United States in 1972. Became close friends with [Noam Chomsky](#).
- ▶ Wrote for The New York Review of Books, Esquire, [Harper's](#).
- ▶ Writer for The Village Voice 1973-1983, but eventually fired for criticism of Israel.
- ▶ Wrote the "Beat the Devil" column for establishment-financed [The Nation](#) since 1984.
- ▶ Wrote articles for the New York Press, Los Angeles Times, New Statesman, The Wall Street Journal, The Week and other mainstream media outlets.
- ▶ February 8, 1990, Alexander Cockburn in the Wall Street Journal, 'The McMartin Case: Indict the Children, Jail the Parents'. In this article, Cockburn attacked the McMartin Preschool Satani/ritual sexual abuse case, which to a degree may not have been incorrect approach, but maybe he should have dug deeper and looked for evidence of a CIA psyop that involved Ted Gunderson,

his girlfriend Jackie McGauley, some of the original parents, and therapist Martha Cockriel.

- ▶ Actress Olivia Wilde was his niece, a daughter of his brother Andrew Cockburn.
- ▶ Outspoken critic of the Iran-Contra affair, Gulf War I, the Kosovo War, the Afghanistan invasion and the 2003 Iraq invasion.
- ▶ September 12, 2001, Alexander Cockburn: *"The targets abroad will be all the usual suspects: rogue states (most of which, like the Taliban or Saddam Hussein, started off as creatures of US intelligence). The target at home will be the Bill of Rights."* Protested the Patriot Act.
- ▶ Very outspoken critic of Israel. Attacked by neocon Jeffrey Epstein friend Alan Dershowitz of running an "anti-semitic" website, along with CAMERA and the ADL.
- ▶ Grew very critical of his old and very close friend Christopher Hitchens, who he basically mentored in the 1980s. Hitchens turned hardcore neocon in the 1990s.
- ▶ Critic of the liberal establishment, including the New York Times, Barack Obama and even some of his colleagues at The Nation.
- ▶ His 1998 book *Whiteout* might well be the best book around summarizing U.S. Cold War build up of, and cooperation with, opium lords, cocaine cartels and drug dealing death squads and dictators. The book not just attacks the CIA, but also makes it clear that these type of coups and operations were sanctioned at a higher level, by the national security advisor, president and often also the secretary of state.
- ▶ His 1998 book *Whiteout* makes it all the more peculiar that Cockburn has been such an aggressive and irrational critic of JFK and 9/11 conspiracies:
  - ▶ 1996, Alexander Cockburn, 'The Golden Age Is in Us: Journeys and Encounters', p. 353: *"In JFK Oliver Stone hadn't the slightest idea how to portray him, which pointed up the weakness of his artistic insight and the preposterous premises on which it was based. I see Oswald as one of those guys in the left-wing meeting who is by the door selling The Militant or pamphlet of choice as you go in. Then, in question time, he's up on his feet, asking WHAT SHOULD BE DONE? The people up on the platform. ... Perhaps one day Oswald will be recognized as a leftist who came to the conclusion that the only way to relieve the pressure on Cuba and obstruct the attempts to murder Castro was by killing President Kennedy. In this calculation he was correct. A year and a half later after the killing in Dallas, Lyndon Johnson suspended the CIA's assassination bids. Oswald's*

*ambush was one of the few effective assassinations in the history of such enterprises. Today this radical exponent of the propaganda of the deed is traduced by assassination buffs as a creature of the right, the pawn of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and of other right-wing forces supposedly trying to bring Kennedy down."*

- ▶ September 10, 2006, Alexander Cockburn on ZNet and Counterpunch, 'The 9/11 Conspiracy Nuts': *"You trip over one fundamental idiocy of the 9/11 conspiracy nuts -- -- the ones who say Bush and Cheney masterminded the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon -- in the first paragraph of the opening page of the book by one of their high priests, David Ray Griffin, The New Pearl Harbor. ... It's awful. My in-box overflows each day with fresh "proofs" of how the WTC buildings were actually demolished... It's the same pattern with the 9/11 nuts, who proffer what they demurely call "disturbing questions", though they disdain all answers but their own ... Anyone who ever looked at the JFK assassination will know that there are endless anomalies and loose ends. Eyewitness testimony... is conflicting, forensic evidence possibly misconstrued, mishandled or just missing. But in my view, the Warren Commission, as confirmed in almost all essentials by the House Committee on Assassinations in the late 1970s, had it right and Oswald fired the fatal shots from the Schoolbook Depository [untrue, the HSCA concluded there had been a second shooter]. The evidentiary chain for his guilt is persuasive, and the cumulative scenarios of the conspiracy nuts entirely unconvincing. But of course—as the years roll by, and even though no death bed confession has ever buttressed those vast, CIA-related scenarios—the nuts keep on toiling away, their obsessions as unflagging as ever."*
- ▶ September 11, 2006, Joshua Frank for Counterpunch, 'Proving Nothing: How the 9/11 Truth Movement Helps Bush & Cheney'.
- ▶ September 15, 2006, Diana Johnstone for Counterpunch, 'In Defense of Conspiracy: 9/11: In Theory and Fact': *"Now, let us suppose that Bushite plotters designed the attacks so that Bush could use them to claim that "they want to destroy us because of our freedom". The choice of targets should support that claim. Suppose one of the planes had crashed into the Statue of Liberty; that would really carry the message that "they want to destroy our freedom". For*

ordinary Americans, it would be just as shocking as the World Trade Center, while costing a lot less to American capitalism (an old gift from France would hardly be missed). For good measure, to show that the terrorists want to kill as many people as possible, they could have crashed into a couple of packed football stadiums."

- ▶ November 28, 2006, Alexander Cockburn for his Counterpunch, "The 9/11 Conspiracists and the Decline of the American Left": *"The Left is in terrible shape. What's the leading obsession of the Left right now? This whole, I think, mad idea that Bush and Cheney organised the attack on the World Trade Towers. I think it's absolutely insane. I think [Bush and Cheney] are capable of monstrous evil, I just think the theories they have - of no plane hitting the Pentagon - is nutty. It's like flying saucers."* He noted that his friend Chuck Spinney had a friend on the plane who was later identified by his dental records because his teeth were found inside the Pentagon.
- ▶ December 16, 2006, 911Truth.org, 'Into the Ring with Counterpunch on 9/11: How Alexander Cockburn, Otherwise So Bright, Blanks Out on 9/11 Evidence': *"Counterpunch co-editor Alexander Cockburn set the tone of these pieces with an article describing theologian and ethicist David Ray Griffin, the author of The New Pearl Harbor (2004) and of The 9/11 Commission Report: Omissions and Distortions (2005), as a "high priest" of the "conspiracy nuts" whom Cockburn denounces as cultists who "disdain all answers but their own," who "seize on coincidences and force them into sequences they deem to be logical and significant," and who "pounce on imagined clues in documents and photos, [...] contemptuously brush[ing] aside" evidence that contradicts their own "whimsical" treatment of "eyewitness testimony and forensic evidence." It's a characteristically forceful performance, if at times slipshod. One small sign of carelessness may be the manner in which Cockburn slides from calling 9/11 skeptics a "coven" to comparing them, a few sentences later, to "mad Inquisitors" torturing the data (as the old joke goes about economists) until the data confess." Readers brought up to think that the victims and perpetrators of witch-crazes have not customarily been the same people may find this unintentionally amusing."*
- ▶ Does think FDR had a sense that the Japanese were going to attack Pearl Harbor, but not that it would be as



devastating as it would become

- ▶ Critical of the human-induced global warming theory in which he basically takes the conservative approach. For the rest was a major environmentalist.
- ▶ Strong supporter of Green Party presidential candidate [Ralph Nader](#) in 2000 and 2004.
- ▶ Supporter of [Occupy Wall Street](#) and gave a speech on Martin Luther King, Jr. at an Occupy rally in Eureka, California.
- ▶ Has two brothers: Andrew Cockburn and Patrick Cockburn.
  - ▶ Andrew Cockburn: Oxford-educated; also came to the U.S.; exposed the serious deficiencies of the Soviet Army in 1982 for PBS; with his wife Leslie Cockburn he wrote the 1991 book *Dangerous Liaison: The Inside Story of the U.S.-Israeli Covert Relationship*; co-producer of 1997 film *The Peacemaker* with George Clooney and Nicole Kidman; in 2007 he wrote *Rumsfeld: His Rise, Fall, and Catastrophic Legacy*; wrote a book in 2015 criticizing the drone assassinations.
  - ▶ Patrick Cockburn: long-time Middle East correspondent for the Financial Times and The Independent and even before the 2003 Iraq invasion, which all Cockburns criticize, and expert and author on Iraq, together with Andrew; produced more books on Iraq and ISIS; contributor to Counterpunch.
  - ▶ Alexander, Andrew and Patrick have all been contributors to The Nation.

## Daily Kos

- ▶ Daily Kos is a "grassroots" liberal political blog - partly financed by the [Tides Foundation](#) - founded on May 26, 2002 by Markos "Kos" Moulitsas around the period that this person was going through a CIA covert operations recruitment program from the summer of 2002 until mid 2003. Instead of joining the CIA covert ops department, Moulitsas went to work for the Howard Dean presidential campaign in mid 2003 while his site gathered the attention of Washington liberal political elites, including congressmen, senators and presidents. Subsequently, in 2006, Moulatsas organized the annual YearlyKos / Netroots Nation conferences, bringing together this same network of liberal politicians.
  - ▶ Markos Moulitsas biography: Born in 1971. Salvadoran-Greek parents. Greatest inspiration is Salvadoran martyr and archbishop Oscar Romero, who was murdered by a

U.S. government and [American Security Council](#)-linked death squad. MLRS Fire Direction Specialist in the U.S. Army in Germany 1989-1992. BA in political science, journalism and philosophy, Northern Illinois University, 1996, and the university paper's editor-in-chief 1995-1996. Boston University law school 1996-1999. Went into web development, right before the Dot.com bust.

In a CIA covert operations recruitment program Summer 2002 (he has also claimed 2001) - mid 2003. By early 2002 a contributor to the MyDD.com political blog of Jerome Armstrong, a "liberal CIA" 1980s environmental activist for [Eart First!](#) and [Greenpeace](#) with a graduate degree in conflict resolutions who subsequently joined the Peace Corps and AmeriCorps. Founded Daily Kos on May 26, 2002. Founder Armstrong Zuniga and went to work for Howard Dean's presidential campaign in June 2003. Founded the YearlyKos / Netroots Nation conferences in 2006. Founder of BlogPAC in 2004, again with Jerome Armstrong. Founding fellow New Politics Institute in 2005.

Co-founder [Vox Media](#) on August 1, 2002 with Jerome Armstrong and Tyler Bleszinsky (at this point, Moulitsas was applying to be a CIA covert operations officer). Co-founder in 2005 of SB Nation, the soon-to-be prominent sports site, together with Tyler Bleszinski (also co-founder [Vox Media](#) in August 2002; media relations manager [Ogilvy Public Relations Worldwide](#) 2000-2004) and Jim Bankoff (BA international studies; MBA Wharton; vice president AOL; founder TMZ; CEO [Vox Media](#) since 2009, the parent company of SB Nation and sites as [MMAFighting.com](#) (previously owned by AOL) and fellow-MMA site [BloodyElbow.com](#)).

Anno 2019 one of the Democrat columnists of TheHill, a "balanced" Washington, D.C. new site founded in 1994 by Jerry Finkelstein (1916-2012), whose son, Andrew Stein / Andrew Finkelstein (b. 1945), was married to Lynn Forester de Rothschild from 1983 to 1993 and has two kids with her.

- ▶ June 9, 2003, Daily Kos post of Markos Moulitsas, 'Full Disclosure': *"I've been on the road a lot the past few months [mainly] for my new political consulting firm (alongside my partner). I spent this weekend in Burlington, VT, where we officially accepted work on behalf of presidential candidate Howard Dean."*
- ▶ October 5, 2007, RadarOnline.com, 'Kos Celeb': *"I applied. I also applied at the State Department, but only the CIA showed interest. ... The interviewing process took a year, between security checks and all sorts of psych evaluations and drug tests. I wasn't [well known] then. This was late 2002 and nobody knew I existed. I started blogging in early 2002,*

*and it was around that summer, probably, that I applied. I don't think they knew about Daily Kos until I disclosed it. Part of my extracurricular activities and whatnot. ... They actually asked, point-blank, "Are you willing to give up this political stuff to work for us?" And, after I thought about it long enough, I wasn't. It would have been a weird life."*

- ▶ June 2, 2006, Markos Moulitsas interview with Gregory Dalton at the Commonwealth Club of California (transcribed from YouTube posted interview): *"I think a lot of the people that did have problems with the CIA, I mean, it was a very vocal minority. I think most people didn't really think about it that much, right? It wasn't really on their radar screens in the way that now it is because now we're in this huge war and it was the CIA that was warning the Administration against invading because there were no weapons of mass destruction. Here's a little secret I don't think I've ever written about, but in 2001 I was underemployed, unemployed, underemployed [and] so I applied to the CIA and I went all the way to the end, I mean, it was to the point where I was going to sign papers to become Clandestine Services, and it was at that point that the Howard Dean campaign took off and I had to make a decision whether I was going to kind of join the [Howard] Dean campaign, that whole process, or I was going to become a spy. [laughter from audience] And it was going to be a tough decision at first, but then the CIA insisted that if I join that they'd want me to do the first duty assignment in Washington, DC and I hate Washington, DC. That was six years in Washington, DC before they'd post me overseas, I was like, yeah! That made the decision a lot easier. But what was really amazing about that experience is that every single person I talked to in the CIA, and I must have talked to dozens of people, you know, psychologists and, you know, people in the leadership, and you go through this whole, like, six month process, really in depth. Every single one of them was liberal. Every single one of them, and, to the point where I was talking to somebody, we were talking about my Web site, because they came by my Web site, and she was agreeing with me on everything and this was before the war, right? And she kept saying, man, they're going to take us to war and, you know, it's, the evidence isn't there and this is crazy, and I was like, is this just you or what? And she's like, no, we're all like this here. We're all, this is a very liberal institution. And, in a lot of ways, it does attract people who want to make a better, you know, want to make the world a better place. I mean, people who are*

*internationalist, in general. Rarely are people who say I want to go bomb the f–k out of some other country, right?*

*...*

*Of course, they've got their dirty ops and this and that, right? But, as an institution itself, the CIA is actually really interested in a stable world. That's what they're interested in. And stable worlds aren't created by destabilizing regimes and by starting wars. They're done so by other methods. You know, assassinating labor leaders, and, no, I'm kidding. But that was really surprising to me. So coming from the, and of course, I think a lot of conservatives would kind of take that as evidence that the CIA was out to undermine Bush or something because they are a bunch of liberals, and they are, they were a bunch of liberals. But ultimately that was an eye-opening experience for me, and at least ultimately I don't think it's a very partisan thing to want a calm, stable world, and even if you're protecting American interests, I mean, you know, that can get ugly at times, but generally speaking, I think, as an organization, their heart's in the right place and, if liberals before had a [inaudible], you know, this is before my time. I've never had a problem with the CIA, and, which is why I'd have no problem working for them.*

*But I don't know. I mean, also keep in mind I came to this country in 1980, so I don't, you know, a lot of this more historical hostility towards the CIA by the left is before my time, so I may be missing nuances or something that, but, from a modern perspective, you know, obviously things are a little different."*

- ▶ [netrootsnation.org/sponsors](http://netrootsnation.org/sponsors) (accessed: August 23, 2011): *"Among luminaries posting diaries on [Daily Kos] are President Jimmy Carter, Senator Barack Obama, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, and dozens of other senators, congressmen, and governors."*
- ▶ In 2016 Daily Kos was added to this "liberal CIA" oversight due to a grant of the Tides Foundation and its fiscal sponsorship by the Tides and [Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors](#)-tied Netroots Foundation. It wasn't until March 2017 that ISGP noticed that Daily Kos founder Markos Moulitsas' CIA ties or his Netroots Nation conferences
- ▶ Financing details of Daily Kos and Netroots Nation:
  - ▶ 2013 grants list, Tides Foundation: *"Daily Kos Foundation. \$25,000.00. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [www.dailykos.com](http://www.dailykos.com)."*
  - ▶ [netrootsfoundation.org/programs/fiscal-sponsorship/](http://netrootsfoundation.org/programs/fiscal-sponsorship/) (accessed: December 24, 2015): *"Neroots Foundation provides fiscal sponsorship services to new*

organizations that align with our mission and goals. ...  
Our Current Projects: [Daily Kos Foundation](#). Everyone Hacks..."

- ▶ [netrootsfoundation.org/new-media-mentors/nmm-staff/](http://netrootsfoundation.org/new-media-mentors/nmm-staff/) (accessed: December 24, 2015): "Mentoring Staff & Advisers. Mentoring Staff: Liza Pike [wife of [Tides Foundation](#) founder and president Drummond Pike] ... Prior to joining Resource Media, Liza was a press officer for the [Natural Resources Defense Council](#)..."

Melissa Foley (@melfoley) is the new media program director for Netroots Foundation [and used to work] as a senior member of the online communications team at Al Gore's Alliance for Climate Protection and as director of marketing and operations for a web-based social enterprise. ...

Advisers: ... Jane Levikow, Director of Sponsored Projects and Funds, [Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisers](#)..."

- ▶ [netrootsnation.org/sponsors](http://netrootsnation.org/sponsors) (accessed: August 23, 2011): "AFL-CIO ... [Daily Kos](#) ... [Headwaters Foundation](#) ... [Democracy for America](#) ... [MoveOn.org](#) ... [Alliance for Justice](#) ... [ACLU](#) ... [The American Prospect](#) ... [Carbonfund.org](#) ... [Change.org](#) ... [Common Cause](#) ... [Democratic National Committee](#) ... [Equal Justice Society](#) ... [Friends of the Earth](#) ... [The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation \(GLAAD\)](#) ... [Grassroots Solutions](#) ... [NRDC](#) ... [Planned Parenthood](#) ... [Progressives United](#) ... [Sierra Club](#) ..." In later years, [NORML](#) also became a sponsor.

## Democracy Now!

- ▶ Left-wing website and radio show that pretends to be anti-establishment, but is financed by foundations as Ford, Park and Tides.
- ▶ Democracy Now! was founded in February 1996 by [Pacifica Foundation Radio](#), which has equally received major financing of foundations as Ford since the late 1940s to guarantee its continued existence. Democracy Now!'s founder and host, Amy Goodman, actually used to work at Pacifica.
  - ▶ [leftgatekeepers.com/articles/TheLegendOfAmyGoodman](http://leftgatekeepers.com/articles/TheLegendOfAmyGoodman) ByPaulDerienzo.htm (accessed: November 2, 2003): "The name that would not be spoken at the last meeting of the Interim Pacifica National Board in New York City was arguably the central figure of the five station Pacifica Foundation network and the host of Democracy Now! (DN) its most

*expensive, if not most popular program. Amy Goodman has been receiving an officially stated stipend from Pacifica of \$440,000 a year, but according to Pacifica's Treasurer Jabari Zakiya Goodman is in fact receiving \$1 million dollars a year for a minimum period of 5 years according to the fine print of her generous contract with Pacifica. Although the overall terms of Goodman's contract remain a secret, the actual document has not been released; we only have an unofficial summary of its terms, its generally believed that Goodman has been given ownership of her program, despite the fact that DN had been started through the donated nickels and dimes of the Foundation's thousands of mostly working class and poor contributors."*

► Spread 9/11 Truth disinformation:

- September 11, 2006, host Amy Goodman on Democracy Now!: *"Today, a 9/11 national broadcast exclusive, the first televised debate [between] the filmmakers of Loose Change and the editors of Popular Mechanics."*
- Very realistic debate:
  - Popular Mechanics representative: *"It's a form of argumentation that is also used by creationists [and] holocaust denial works with very similar logic."* And also: *"People died. We're talking about real human beings here. You know, this wasn't a movie."*
  - Jason Bermas gets highly frustrated at times. Also replies with: *"We are talking about real human beings and we need to respect them with the truth, sir."*
- The debate was between Dylan Avery and Jason Bermas of Loose Change and James "Jim" Meigs and David Dunbar of Popular Mechanics. Bogus topics discussed:
  - Flight 93 crash or shoot down.
  - Cell phone calls not possible.
  - Flight 77 did or didn't hit the Pentagon ([it obviously did](#)).
  - War games diverting resources ([it didn't or shouldn't have](#)).
  - [WTC discussion](#): starts out with basement/lobby bomb theories. Kevin Ryan discussed: UL indeed does not certify steel. Knock down with two lines quote. Knocked off 15 foot panels of marble (lobby nonsense again). Asked about scam artist Willy Rodriguez. Popular Mechanics: says jet fuel poured down elevator shafts, "setting of secondary explosions." Also untrue: elevators slamming down caused the "explosions".
  - [WTC 7](#) (NIST report not yet released, so little hard-hitting info available). Bermas brings up the [Barry](#)

Jennings disinformation Popular Mechanics wrongly states: *"those fires burned unfought for 7 hours unchecked, fed by diesel tank generators."*

► Financing:

► **Free Speech TV** is the parent TV company for outlets as **Indymedia** and Democracy Now!. Free Speech TV has received grants from foundations as **Soros**, **Ford**, **Rockefeller**, **MacArthur** and more.

► **Ford Foundation:**

► Ford Foundation Annual Report 1998: *"Pacifica Foundation (North Hollywood, Calif.) \$75,000 For a marketing promotion and program development activities for Democracy Now!"*

► Ford Foundation Annual Report 2002: *"Deep Dish TV, Inc. (New York, NY) \$75,000 For the television news series "Democracy Now" to continue incorporating the aftermath of the September 11th attacks into future broadcasts."*

► Ford Foundation Annual Report 2004: *"Democracy Now Productions, Inc. (New York, NY) \$150,000 To produce, broadcast and distribute a series of radio, television and Internet reports on the media reform movement in the United States."*

► [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](http://parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261) (**Park Foundation** media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): "

- 2015: ... *Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY General operating support \$25,000...*

- 2014: ... *Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY General operating support \$25,000...*

- 2013: ... *Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY Democracy Now!'s live on-the-ground coverage of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Warsaw, Poland \$30,000... Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY Democracy Now! Productions \$25,000...*

- 2012: ... *Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY To expand the live, on-the-ground news coverage during the 2012 Election Cycle and 100-city Community Media Tour \$5,000... Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY Democracy Now! Daily Global News Program \$25,000...*

- 2011: ... *Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY General operating support \$25,000...*

- 2010: ... *Democracy Now! Productions, Inc. New York, NY General operating support \$25,000...*

- 2009: ... *Democracy Now! Productions, Inc New York, NY General operating support \$25,000... "*

► 2003 annual report, **Threshold Foundation**: *"Democracy Now! ... \$20,000..."*

► 2004-2014 grants list, **Tides Foundation**: "



[2004:] Democracy Now! \$15,250.00.  
 [2005:] Democracy Now! \$15,000.00.  
 [2006:] Democracy Now! \$54,809.00.  
 [2007:] Democracy Now! \$17,500.00.  
 [2008:] Democracy Now! \$74,716.00.  
 [2009:] Democracy Now! \$20,000.00.  
 [2010:] Democracy Now! \$43,871.00.  
 [2011:] Democracy Now! 69680.  
 [2012:] Democracy Now! 49084.  
 [2013:] Democracy Now! \$50,000.00 ... \$5,000.00 ... \$250,000.00.  
 [2013:] Democracy Now! \$5,000.00 ... \$1,000.00 ... \$500.00 ... \$24,841.00 ... \$19,196.00... "  
 TOTAL 2004-2014 funding from Tides to Democracy Now! is \$715,447.

- ▶ Schumann Center of Soros-ally, CFR member and Bilderberg steering committee member Bill Moyers:
  - ▶ 2004, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants):  
*"Democracy Now... A grant of \$25,000 to fund Special 2004 election coverage."*
  - ▶ 2009, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants):  
*"Democracy Now... \$300,000."*
  - ▶ 2012, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants):  
*"Democracy Now ... \$750,000."*
  - ▶ 2013, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants):  
*"Democracy Now ... \$750,000."*
- ▶ [democracynow.org/events/2015/9/amy\\_goodman\\_moderates\\_out\\_of\\_harms\\_way\\_alternatives\\_to\\_public\\_injection\\_in\\_new\\_york\\_1248](http://democracynow.org/events/2015/9/amy_goodman_moderates_out_of_harms_way_alternatives_to_public_injection_in_new_york_1248) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"September 30, 2015 / Wednesday / 6:00 pm ... Amy Goodman will moderate a panel entitled, Out of Harm's Way: Alternatives to Public Injection in New York. The event is sponsored by the [Open Society Foundations](#) Public Health Program, in partnership with Unitarian Church of All Souls. ..."*
- ▶ 2007, Bob Feldman in peer-reviewed journal Critical Sociology, 'Report from the Field: Left Media and Left Think Tanks — Foundation-Managed Protest?', p. 440 ([PDF](#)): *"Table 8. Foundation Grants to Other Left Think Tanks/Media Groups, 1996 to 2004. ... Institute for Media Analysis/ Democracy Now! Total \$535,000. \$40,000 from Glaser Progress Foundation "to support the daily national television news program" (2001). \$85,000 from J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation (2001). \$60,000 from Glaser Progress Foundation "for support of Amy Goodman's Democracy Now! " (2002). \$100,000 from [Lannan Foundation](#) (2003). \$100,000 from Glaser Progress Foundation "for support of the newscast*

*Democracy Now! " (2003). \$150,000 from [Ford Foundation](#) (2004)."*

- ▶ July 9, 2011, Bob Feldman article on Wrong Kind of Green, 'FLASHBACK: Democracy Now! Show Funder Censors Anti-War Journalist John Pilger': *"According to the [Lannan Foundation's](#) Form 990 financial filing for 2008, Amy Goodman's Democracy Now! Productions was given three grants, totaling \$375,000, by the Lannan Foundation."*

## Disinfo.com

- ▶ April 1, 2015, disinfo.com, 'Disinformation Has Been Officially Bought By BuzzFeed': *"... And, Happy April Fools' Day."* So, this article actually constitutes an April Fools' joke, but in protest of April Fools' jokes I have no intention of removing Disinfo.com from the list here. Well, there are more reasons why I prefer disinfo.com to be listed here for the time being:
  - ▶ Disinfo.com posts quite a few links to the [Sierra Club](#), [AlterNet](#), [Graham Hancock disinformation](#), etc.
  - ▶ Since December 2016 Disinfo.com has a working relationship with the questionable and extremely disinformative AboveTopSecret.com forum, once the home of unbelievably extreme Coast to Coast AM disinformers [John Lear](#).
    - ▶ December 16, 2015, abovetopsecret.com/forum/thread1097214/pg1, 'Welcome Disinfo.com to the AboveTopSecret.com universe!': *"We've entered a new partnership with a website many of you already know and love, Disinfo.com. Having both been "birthed" on the Internet in the mid-1990's, both of our sites have long represented the more sober approach to alternative news and views. So as the misinformation, disinformation, and missing information from mainstream media is reaching historic levels, especially with the electioneering in full swing in the US, it makes sense to join forces. Over the next few weeks, we may begin to see key content authors from Disinfo.com slide over here into this forum to exchange content ideas with ATS members. And likewise, we'd like to see some of our more experienced ATS members slide over to Disinfo.com and start adding your voice to the battle against disinformation. And as many of you probably have already guessed, our efforts mentioned in these two threads (Help Wanted: Full Stack Developers, Mobile Developers, UI/UX Designers, and other tech people..., help Wanted:*

*Writers, Journalists, Illustrators, Videographers, and other content creators...) have something to do with the longer term strategies we and Disinfo.com have been cooking up."*

- ▶ December 26, 2015, Skeptic Overlord (William Irvine) for Disinfo.com, 'A Sneak Peak at The New Disinfo.com': *"As some of you may be aware, The Disinformation Company and AboveTopSecret.com have entered into a collaboration."*
- ▶ The Above Top Secret forum (ATS) has been ran over the years by Skeptic Overlord (William Irvine) and Springer (Mark Allin), who have been operating the forum under the Comanche, Oklahoma-registered The Above Network, LLC, respectively as CEO and COO. Valhall, Springer's wife, has been an Oklahoma-based Halliburton employee, with rumors flying around that ATS is connected to some kind of military domain (nic.mil). Don't know if the latter is true.
  - ▶ [linkedin.com/melissa-allin-p-e-5a420288](https://www.linkedin.com/company/melissa-allin-p-e-5a420288) (accessed: April 29, 2016): *"Melissa Allin, P.E. Site EHS Leader, GE OGTC [since November 2015]. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - Oil and Energy. ... Technical Team Leader II/HSE, Coordinator, Halliburton: 2000-2012 (12 years)... Columbia Southern University (B.S.), Environmental Management, 4.0, 2008-2012. - University of Oklahoma, Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Aerospace, Aeronautical and Astronautical/Space Engineering, 3.92, 1987-1991. ... [a number of oil drilling-related patents]..."*
- ▶ ATS has been extremely prominent in the UFO business since its beginning in 1997 and contains little but utter and complete BS - which is subsequently debunked by a group of rent-a-skeptics. The usual internet trolls (most likely of the national security kind) have been attacking ATS for banning anti-Semitism, disinformation regarding the Sandy Hook massacre (a favorite of no-plane extremist [James Fetzer](#)) and eventually doing away with another no-plane extremist (on top of everything else), [John Lear](#), as well with Bill Ryan of Project Avalon and Project Camelot (two important conspiracy disinformation projects). It's usually the more extreme national security websites that draw this kind of endless criticism in order to generate false debates and keep every sane person miles away.

- ▶ I can't imagine Disinfo putting out a news report that they have been bought by BuzzFeed, without some existing private relationship and/or approval from BuzzFeed (I'd definitely be complaining as BuzzFeed CEO). Also, BuzzFeed is an offshoot of the [Huffington Post](#) of one-time [George Soros](#) agent Arianna Huffington.
  - ▶ [buzzfeed.com/about/team](#) (accessed: November 25, 2015): *"Jonah Peretti: Founder & CEO... After co-founding the Huffington Post in 2005, Peretti launched BuzzFeed in 2006... Ken Lerer, Executive Chairman... He was the Chairman and Co-founder of The Huffington Post..."*
  - ▶ Co-founder with Jonah Peretti and Arianna of the Huffington Post in 2006 was Kenneth Lerer. Biography: executive vice president AOL Time Warner (acquired Huffington Post in 2011 for \$315 million). Chair and CEO of BuzzFeed. Founding managing director Lerer Hippeau Ventures Jan. 2010-. Founder StoptheNRA.com in 2013.
- ▶ It might be a reach, but Marcie Gainer, the executive editor of Disinfo.com who put out the April Fools' joke is not just anyone. In 2013 she graduated from New York University, the same rather prestigious university as Alexander Soros, albeit in 2009. However, Alexander Soros, for example, has been mingling with CNN dissenter Amber Lyon who in March 2014 founded the "grass roots" news site on psychedelics [Reset.me](#).
- ▶ Bloomberg.com biography of Gary Baddeley (accessed: August 16, 2016): *"Mr. Gary Baddeley has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of The Disinformation Company Ltd. since 1997. ... From 1990 to 1996, Mr. Baddeley was an attorney at Phillips Nizer LLP in New York City, specializing in representation of clients in the music and television industries... Mr. Baddeley holds a JD from New York University School of Law and a B.Sc. from Kingston University."*
- ▶ Turns out, the Disinformation Company was founded in 1996 and since that time controlled by relatively big interests. The website/company was founded by Tele-Communications Inc. (now Comcast), with the original team soon continuing it as a separate entity. It was later acquired by Razorfish. After being held privately for some time, in 2012 Disinfo.com was bought by Red Wheel Weiser Conari, the second largest publisher of occult books after Llewellyn.
- ▶ I keep seeing little hints of "liberal CIA" at Disinfo over the years:
  - ▶ Abby Martin of the elite-backed [Project Censored](#) has been a frequent contributor to disinfo.com

(<http://disinfo.com/author/abbymartin/>).

- ▶ The Disinformation Company has published [Jim Marrs'](#) 2006 book *The Terror Conspiracy* that promotes Pentagon no-plane theories and other disinformation. It also published Marrs' 2008 *Above Top Secret* and 2009 *The Sisterhood of the Rose*.
- ▶ The Disinformation Company published the books *Supernatural* of Graham Hancock in 2007 and Robert Bauval's *The Egypt Code* (2008). Both authors have spread massive amounts of [disinformation on Ancient Egypt](#).
- ▶ The Disinformation Company has served as a distributor of documentary films of [Greg Palast](#) and [Alex Jones](#) (*Terrorstorm*, *Endgame*) and films as *The ACLU Freedom Files* (2006) and *MoveOn: The Movie* (2009). The ACLU and MoveOn have been backed by liberal elites as George Soros. The Disinformation Company spread quite a bit of 9/11 Truth material over the years.
- ▶ Disinformation Company editor-at-large Russ Kick also ran the websites *The Memory Hole I* (2002-2009) and *The Memory Hole II* (2016). One of the most noticeable actions of *The Memory Hole I* was the publication of several hundred photos depicting the coffins of U.S. soldiers fallen in Iraq. The photos were acquired through a FOIA request.

## Free Speech TV

- ▶ Parent TV company for outlets as [Indymedia](#) and [Democracy Now!](#)
- ▶ History:
  - ▶ [freespeech.org/about-us/history/](http://freespeech.org/about-us/history/): *"Free Speech TV was launched in 1995... Free Speech TV evolved from the popular The 90's cable and [PBS](#) show and The 90's Channel... Following the World Trade Center tragedy on September 11, 2001, Free Speech TV helped launch the television premier of Democracy Now!, which remains one of the network's most popular shows.*
  - Free Speech TV also launched GRITtv... During the Arab Spring, the network pre-empted much of its regular non-news programming to carry Al Jazeera English's exemplary on-the-ground journalism from Tahrir Square and other hotspots. ...*
  - In 2011 and 2012, Free Speech TV coverage [included] the [Occupy Wall Street](#) movement."*
- ▶ Elite tries/financing:
  - ▶ January 26, 2005, Free Speech TV brochure-in-

development-final (PDF on [bklocke.weebly.com](http://bklocke.weebly.com) of Dr. Brian Klocke), p. 1: *"Free Speech TV is a project of Public Communicators, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Since its inception in 1995, FSTV has been supported by member contributions and by grants and gifts from the Alphawood Foundation, Bioneers Fund, Donner Foundation, Chicago Instructional Technology Foundation, Denver Area Educational Telecommunications Consortium, Ford Foundation, Funding Exchange, Gill Foundation, Glaser Progress Foundation, Instructional Telecommunications Foundation, Just Media Foundation, Kieschnick Family Foundation, Kurz Family Foundation, Lannan Foundation, John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, National Alliance for Media Arts and Culture, Needmor Fund, Open Society Institute, Otto Haas Charitable Trust #2, Park Foundation, Paul Robeson Fund for Independent Media, Phoebe Haas Charitable Trust, Portland Regional Educational Telecommunications Corporation, Rockefeller Foundation, Schreier Family Foundation, Unitarian Universalist Funding Program, The Waterman Fund of the Philadelphia Foundation, Willard L. Eccles Foundation, and the Working Assets Grantmaking Fund."*

- ▶ [freespeech.org/financial-report](http://freespeech.org/financial-report) (accessed: July 27, 2010): *"Free Speech TV is owned and operated by Public Communicators, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit, tax-exempt organization, founded in 1974. ... Foundations providing general operating and project grants include: Alphawood Foundation, Lannan Foundation, LEF Foundation, Otto Haas Charitable Trust, Park Foundation, and The Tides Foundation. ... Annual Income: \$3,386,950."*
- ▶ [freespeech.org/about-us/board/](http://freespeech.org/about-us/board/) (accessed: November 19, 2018): *"Mark Winston Griffith, Board Chair... Mark has served as a fellow with the Open Society Institute, the Revson Fellowship at Columbia University, and the Rockefeller Foundation's Next Generation Leadership program."*
- ▶ [freespeech.org/fsitv/fscm2/genx.php?name=our\\_partners](http://freespeech.org/fsitv/fscm2/genx.php?name=our_partners) (accessed: November 19, 2018): *"Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting ... International A.N.S.W.E.R."*

### **Grand Rapids Institute for Information Democracy (GRIID)**

- ▶ The Grand Rapids Institute for Information Democracy is supposed to be a grassroots think tank, news and investigative blog in the Grand Rapids, Michigan area. Criticizing even such things as CIA drug trafficking (while

taking information but circumventing ISGP), its prime objective, however, as usual, is to push LGBTQ issues, attack white people, with the conservative ultraright having special focus.

- ▶ October 3, 2017, GRIDD, '35 years later, American Made movie tells part of the story of US Drug Policy, the CIA and Barry Seal' (in bold): *"It is important to point out what the black community has been telling us for years [about CIA drug trafficking], which was something like, we don't have the planes and the boats to bring these drugs into the US, this was always done by white people, yet it has had devastating effects in the black community. ... watch the 2014 film Kill the Messenger [instead], which is about journalist Gary Webb..."*

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- ▶ The Grand Rapids Institute for Information Democracy (GRIID) is part of a cluster of extremely cheap-looking websites and non-profits also involving Rapidian.org and the Grand Rapids People's History Project (linked at the top of GRIID). In turn, this network is linked to and at least occasionally financed by the Grand Rapids Community Media Center, the Grand Rapids Community Foundation, the Knight Foundation and likely other "liberal CIA" foundations.

- ▶ January 14, 2009, Grand Rapids Community Media Center, 'Grand Rapids Citizen Journalism Launches with Knight Grant': *"Grand Rapidians will have the opportunity to become citizen reporters with a soon-to-be established network of neighborhood news bureaus in the city, thanks to a \$128,000 grant from the [John S. and James L. Knight Foundation](#). The Grand Rapids Community Foundation will use the funds to establish four neighborhood news bureaus in the city. Matching grants from the [Grand Rapids] Community Foundation and other sources will round out the launch of program. In partnership with the Community Media Center (CMC), the news bureaus will give citizen reporters the tools... There are more than 800 active citizen journalism outlets in the U.S. and the list is growing. "Knight Foundation has supported this movement in many communities."*

- ▶ This cluster of Grand Rapids non-profits claims inspiration from the (Howard) Zinn Education Project.

## Huffington Post

- ▶ Arianna Huffington has had a close relationship with George Soros since at least 2000 when she organized the first Shadow Conference for him, where she admitted to the world: *"I have become radicalized."* Soros put up 1/3 of the funds. The



conferences were focused on the need for more than a two party system, the corrupting influence of money on politics, wealth inequality, and drug war/policy reform. Ethan Nadelmann, a key Soros representative since the early 1990s, made the usual proposals for drug policy reform at the first Shadow Conference. ([shadowconvention.com](http://shadowconvention.com)) Nadelmann later became one of the contributors to Huffington Post and Arianna has made tweets in his favor. On June 8, 2013, for example, she tweeted: *"Ethan Nadelmann: The real Drug Czar. @7im @rollingstone rol.st/120Q2I6."*

- ▶ October 6, 2004, David Horowitz and Richard Poe for Front Page Magazine (ultraconservative), 'The Shadow Party: Part I': *"In 2000, [Soros](#) stepped up his attack on the status quo - dramatically raising his profile in U.S. electoral politics in the process - by sponsoring the so-called "Shadow Conventions." Organized by author, columnist, social climber and political gadfly, Arianna Huffington, the Shadow Conventions were counter-cultural events that gave a spotlight to critics of the electoral mainstream, most from the far left. ... Huffington declared that US politics needed a third force to break the deadlock."*
- ▶ On June 8, 2013, for example, Arianna Huffington tweeted: *"Ethan Nadelmann: The real Drug Czar. @7im @rollingstone rol.st/120Q2I6."* Nadelmann has been George Soros' point-man on psychedelics since the early 1990s.
- ▶ A major investor in Huffington Post since 2006 was Softbank Corporation, a director of which, Mark Schwartz, served as president and CEO of Soros Fund Management, LLC from 2001 to 2005. Before that, from 1999 to 2001, Schwartz was chair of Goldman Sachs Asia, an elite bank where he served in various positions since 1979.
- ▶ The non-profit Huffington Post Investigate Fund was founded in 2010, with much of the funding coming from Atlantic Philanthropies, at the time headed by LaMarche, formerly a vice president of Soros' Open Society Foundations.
  - ▶ April 2, 2009, The Spectator, 'Soros Buddy Funds HuffPo "Investigative Journalism" Fund': *"Arianna Huffington announced that her left-wing gossip website, the Huffington Post, is launching the Huffington Post Investigative Fund. ... The program's startup budget will be \$1.75 million. The money will be provided by the Huffington Post and the Atlantic Philanthropies. The Bermuda-based Atlantic Philanthropies is headed by Gara LaMarche, who used to be a vice president of liberal uber-philanthropist George Soros's Open Society Institute. LaMarche is a member of Soros's Democracy Alliance, a billionaires' club..."*

- ▶ December 22, 2009, Politico, 'Knight gives \$200K to HuffPo Investigative Fund'.
- ▶ October 19, 2010, Business Insider, 'Huffington Post And Center For Public Integrity Create "One Of The Largest Investigative Newsrooms In The Country": *"Knight Foundation, a current funder of both the Center and the Investigative Fund, has promised an additional \$250,000 to the Center in support of the newly combined news operation. ... The Knight Foundation recently committed \$1.7 million to the Center specifically to expand its digital media platforms."*
- ▶ [publicintegrity.org/about/our-work/supporters](http://publicintegrity.org/about/our-work/supporters) (accessed: March 3, 2018): *"California Endowment ... Carnegie Corporation ... Ford Foundation ... Kellogg Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation. Omidyar Network. Open Society Foundations. ... Park Foundation..."*
- ▶ March 30, 2009, Pressthink.org, 'Introducing the new Huffington Post Investigative Fund (And My Own Role in It)': *"The Huffington Post Investigative Fund. It is being funded by The Huffington Post and The Atlantic Philanthropies, and will be headed by Nick Penniman [Washington director of Bill Moyer's Schumann Center; publisher Washington Monthly magazine 2005-2006; associate editor of the American Prospect]..."*
- ▶ In the 1990s Arianna was an advisor to superclass member Newt Gingrich, a relatively liberal Republican congress member 1979-1999 and speaker of the House 1995-1999. In 1968 Gingrich had been southern regional director for presidential candidate Nelson Rockefeller, who lost to Nixon (Rockefeller's friend and right hand in his campaign, Henry Kissinger, still became Nixon national security advisor). Gingrich seems to have benefited from these ties, because he is solid superclass. NGOs Gingrich has been involved in: Young Americans for Freedom (YAF), American Enterprise Institute, Bohemian Grove, Hoover Institution, CFR, GenerationEdge (liberal, founded by Justin Rockefeller, son of Sen. Jay Rockefeller), Alfalfa, Project on National Security Reform, New Atlantic Initiative, Global Forum 2000, Defense Policy Board (2001-2010), US Commission on National Security, United States European Command Senior Advisory Group, National Defense Council Foundation (NDCF), American Foreign Policy Council, National Policy Forum, Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation, Third Committee on the Present Danger, Herzliya Conference. Gingrich is also on the advisory board of the elite 1001 Club-linked Barrick Gold Corporation.
- ▶ In 1986 she married millionaire Michael Huffington, a son of the founder of natural gas exploration company Huffco. The couple had two children. Michael Huffington biography:

Graduated from Stanford in economics and engineering in 1970. Summer intern for Congressman George H. W. Bush in 1968. First worked for First National Bank, an old Morgan bank, in 1972. Vice chair of Huffco 1976-1990. Reagan's deputy assistant secretary of defense for negotiations policy in 1986. Republican congressman from California 1993-1995. Spent \$5.4 million on his own campaign. Subsequently failed to get elected to the Senate, a campaign on which he spent \$28 million. In 1997 he divorced from Arianna and a year later announced he was bisexual. Co-chairman with actor and director Rob Steiner of Proposition 10, which increased the tax on cigarettes, in 1998. Co-chaired a June 29, 2006 dinner for governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. In December 2006, Michael became a blogger for his ex-wife's Huffington Post.

- ▶ July 17, 2008, New York Times, 'Roy M. Huffington, Independent Oilman, Is Dead at 90': *"He earned a doctorate in geology at Harvard, then hit oil in 17 of the first 18 wells he drilled. He suspected that there might be natural gas in Indonesia, he once said, because its geology seemed to resemble that of the Gulf Coast. ... He gave to hundreds of charities and Republican campaigns, including those of his son, Michael, who won a Congressional seat in California but lost a senatorial bid there. The political commentator and blogger Arianna Huffington is a former wife of Michael's. In an essay on her Web site, the Huffington Post, she called Roy Huffington an oilman when oil exploration was still a romantic endeavor." ... After seven years of operation, the project produced enough gas to meet the fuel requirements of the equivalent of eight cities of 500,000 people and made Indonesia the world's largest LNG supplier. The project increased Mr. Huffington's personal net worth to more than \$300 million, by Forbes's estimate, when he sold his businesses to the Chinese Petroleum Corporation in 1989. In 1990, when his old friend from the oil patch President George H. W. Bush, asked him to be ambassador to Austria, he accepted, and served for three years. He worked to improve business ties with the former Soviet bloc."*
- ▶ On the board of Public Integrity, financed by similar interests and deeply tied to the liberal national media:
  - ▶ [publicintegrity.org/about/our-work/supporters](http://publicintegrity.org/about/our-work/supporters) (accessed: November 24, 2015): *"MAJOR INSTITUTIONAL FUNDERS. New and ongoing support of \$20,000 and above in 2014: Atlantic Philanthropies of New York ... Carnegie Corporation of New York ... Craigslist Charitable Foundation ... Democracy Fund ... Ford Foundation. Foundation for National Progress ... William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. W.K. Kellogg Foundation. John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. ... John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Robert R.*

McCormick Foundation. ... Omidyar Network. Open Society Foundations [Soros]. ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund. Rockefeller Family Fund."

- ▶ [publicintegrity.org/about/our-people/advisory-council](http://publicintegrity.org/about/our-people/advisory-council) (accessed: November 24, 2015): "**PAUL A. VOLCKER** is chairman of the newly formed Economic Recovery Advisory Board under President Obama. " Volcker has been one of David Rockefeller's closest friends and colleagues.
- ▶ [publicintegrity.org/about/our-people/board-of-directors](http://publicintegrity.org/about/our-people/board-of-directors) (accessed: November 24, 2015) (note: quite a few young people in their early to mid-30s): "**PETER BALE**, chief executive officer, joins the Center after three years at CNN International, where he ran CNN.com and other digital products outside the United States. The International edition of the CNN site recorded double-digit growth in users ... **ARIANNA HUFFINGTON** is the chair, president, and editor-in-chief of the Huffington Post Media Group, a nationally syndicated columnist, and author of fourteen books. In May 2005, she launched The Huffington Post, a news and blog site that quickly became one of the most widely-read, linked to, and frequently-cited media brands on the Internet. In 2012, the site won a Pulitzer Prize for national reporting. She has been named to Time Magazine's list of the world's 100 most influential people and the Forbes Most Powerful Women list. Originally from Greece, she moved to England when she was 16 and graduated from Cambridge University with an M.A. in economics. At 21, she became president of the famed debating society, the Cambridge Union. She serves on several boards, including HuffPost's partners in Spain, the newspaper EL PAÍS and its parent company PRISA; Onex; The Center for Public Integrity; and The Committee to Protect Journalists. ... **JAMES A. KIERNAN** is a former partner in and currently of counsel to Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, the New York-based international law firm. ... **JENNIFER 8. LEE** is a journalist and author who spent nine years at The New York Times. There she covered technology, Washington, crime, poverty and culture. Lee has played a lead role in the Knight News Challenge ... **RICHARD M. LOBO** is an entrepreneurial leader in American broadcasting, a veteran of NBC, CBS, PBS... In 1994, President Bill Clinton named Lobo Director of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting in the United States Information Agency. In 2010, President Barack Obama appointed him Director of the International Broadcasting Bureau, the administrative and technical arm of the Broadcasting Board of Governors. Lobo resigned in December 2013 and retired to South Florida. He is a

member of the Latino Advisory Council of the Kennedy Center. ... **OLIVIA MA** [quite young; her father is a senior vice president at the Washington Post; her mother general counsel to the American Psychological Association; her father-in-law was a vice president and CEO at Georgetown University, where her mother-in-law also worked], Co-Chair of the Board of Directors, is the senior manager for the News Lab at Google, an effort whose mission is to collaborate with journalists and entrepreneurs to build the future of media with Google. Previously, she was Head of News and Media Partnerships for Google+, where she managed Google+'s partnerships with the media industry, and a founding member of YouTube's News and Politics team, where she oversaw the site's news programming and product strategy. ... . Prior to joining YouTube and Google, Olivia was the product manager for Plum, a social media-sharing website, and ran Current, a national college news magazine published in partnership with Newsweek. Olivia graduated from Harvard University with a degree in History and Literature. As well as holding the Co-Chair of the Board of Directors for the Center for Public Integrity. ... **CRAIG NEWMARK** ... Craig is the founder of craigslist, started in 1995 and now one of the world's most-visited websites. He continues to work with craigslist as a customer service representative (CSR). In 2011 Craig launched craigconnects to advance the use of technology and social media to benefit philanthropy and public service. ... In addition to the Center for Public Integrity, Craig serves on the board of directors of the [Poynter Institute](#) Foundation, Sunlight Foundation, Consumers Union/Consumer Reports, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, and the Board of Overseers of the Columbia Journalism Review. He also advises nearly twenty other renowned non-profit organizations. ... **MARIANNE SZEGEDY-MASZAK** is an editor in the Washington Bureau of Mother Jones magazine. ... **MATT THOMPSON** is the deputy editor of TheAtlantic.com. He was an editorial product manager at National Public Radio, where he worked with NPR member stations on the development of multiple local websites. He is also an adjunct faculty member at the [Poynter Institute](#), having completed a four-year term on the organization's National Advisory Board in 2010. Before coming to NPR, Thompson served as an interim online community manager for the Knight Foundation. Earlier in his career, Thompson was deputy web editor for the Minneapolis Star Tribune and the first online reporter/producer for the Fresno Bee. He holds a degree

*in English from Harvard."*

► May 29, 2011, New York Times, 'Olivia Ma, Sean Kelly':  
*"Olivia Otey Ma, the daughter of Nathalie Preston Gilfoyle and Christopher Ma of Washington, is to be married Sunday at her parents' house to Sean Uberoi Kelly, the son of Narindar U. Kelly and Michael J. Kelly of Baltimore. Judge Diana Gribbon Motz of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in Baltimore is to officiate. Ms. Ma, 28, will keep her name. She is a manager at YouTube in San Bruno, Calif., where she oversees the site's news programming strategy. She is a member of the board of the Center for Public Integrity, a nonprofit investigative journalism organization in Washington, and is a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard. The bride's father is a senior vice president, handling new business development, at The Washington Post Company. Her mother is the general counsel of the American Psychological Association, also in Washington. Mr. Kelly, 40, is a general manager at Zynga, the developer of Farmville and other games, in San Francisco, where he helps create online games that involve interaction with other players. He graduated from Princeton and received a master's in interactive telecommunications from New York University. His parents are retired from Georgetown University, where his mother was the administrator of the student primary-care clinic and his father was a vice president and the chief operating officer."*

► November 1, 2017, Washington Post, 'About The WorldPost':  
*"The WorldPost, a partnership of the Berggruen Institute and The Washington Post... Publishing op-eds and features from around the globe, we work from a worldwide perspective looking out. Editorial board: Nicolas Berggruen, ... Walter Isaacson, ... Arianna Huffington, [Gianni Agnelli heir] John Elkann, [Pierre Omidyar](#), [[Google CEO](#)] Eric Schmidt..."*

### **Institute for Non Profit News (INN)**

► Founded in 2009 at the Rockefeller's Pocantico Center:  
► [nn.org/about/who-we-are/](https://inn.org/about/who-we-are/) (accessed: Dec. 7, 2023):  
*"Strengthens and supports more than 425 independent news organizations... At INN, we believe that: ... Independence builds public trust [and] Antiracism work is necessary in journalism. ... In 2009, journalists from 27 nonpartisan, nonprofit news organizations gathered at the [[RBF's](#)] [Pocantico Center](#) in New York to plan the future of investigative journalism. The result of that*

meeting, the Pocantico Declaration, established the Investigative News Network (now named the Institute for Nonprofit News)..."

- ▶ [rbf.org/pocantico/pocantico-center/about](http://rbf.org/pocantico/pocantico-center/about) (accessed: Dec. 7, 2023): *"Once home to the Rockefeller family... Today, The Pocantico Center is the community-facing extension of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund..."*

▶ Funders:

- ▶ [inn.org/about/supporters/](http://inn.org/about/supporters/) (accessed: July 23, 2021): *"\$500,000+: Democracy Fund .... [MacArthur Foundation](#) ... [Knight Foundation](#). \$100,000 – \$500,000: ... [Facebook Journalism Project](#). [Ford Foundation](#). [Google News Initiative](#). ... [Open Society Foundations](#). ... Robert R. McCormick Foundation. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The Miami Foundation. \$10,000 to \$100,000: [craigslist Charitable Fund](#) ... [Edwards Family Fund](#). [Field Foundation](#) ... [Joyce Foundation](#). [Park Foundation](#)."*

## The Media Consortium

- ▶ Founded in early 2006, the Media Consortium is a joint effort of several dozen alternative media outlets to promote themselves. Clearly streamlining their activities and making sure they largely promote the same points on immigration, integration, women's rights, political candidates and any type of conspiracy-related affairs is part of that.
- ▶ [themediaconsortium.org/about/](http://themediaconsortium.org/about/) (accessed: March 14, 2017): *"In 2005, two-dozen leaders of independent print, radio, television, and online media came together... In early 2006, we coalesced to to become The Media Consortium. ... Our mission is to amplify independent media's voice, increase our collective clout, leverage our current audience and reach new ones. ... [Our] strategic principles [are:]*
  - Foster Collaboration and Coordination.
  - Build and Diversify Media Leadership.
  - Focus on Audience Development.
  - Bring Money and Attention into the Sector."
- ▶ Member media outlets:
  - ▶ [themediaconsortium.org](http://themediaconsortium.org) (accessed: July 7, 2006): *"Air America Radio [home of [The Young Turks](#) 2006-2008]. [Salon.com](#) [plus most of these below]..."*
  - ▶ [themediaconsortium.org/our-members/](http://themediaconsortium.org/our-members/) (accessed: March 13, 2017): *"[Alternet](#) ... [The American Prospect](#) ... [CMD \[Center for Media and Democracy - Sourcewatch\]](#) ... [Democracy Now!](#) ... [Earth Island Journal](#). [Feministing.com](#) ... [Greg Palast](#) ... [Grist \[magazine\]](#) ... [In These Times](#) ... [Link.tv](#) ... [Mother Jones](#) ... [Ms. \[magazine, formerly of the \[Ms. Foundation\]\(#\)\]](#) ... [The Nation](#) ... National*



Catholic Reporter ... [The Nation Institute](#) ... News Taco ... OpenDemocracy ... [Political Research Associates](#) ... [The Progressive](#) ... The Real News ... [Truthdig](#). [Truthout](#). ... [Washington Monthly](#) ... Women's Media Center ... Yes! Magazine. [The Young Turks](#)."

► Financing/partnerships:

► March 2014, [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), executive director Judy Clark, 'The Pocantico Center: Conference Outcomes Assessment', p. 7: *"Some examples of the new organizations or coalitions that were created as the result of Pocantico conferences [of RBF] include: ...*

*- The Media Consortium, now a flourishing organization that fosters collaboration among its members and undertakes special projects [2005].*

*- The Investigative News Network (INN) [now the Institute for Nonprofit News, and also funded by RBF, Open Society, Surdna, Knight, etc.]..."*

► [journalismthatmatters.org/pocantico/bios/](http://journalismthatmatters.org/pocantico/bios/)

(accessed: March 14, 2017): *"Jay Harris: ... In 2006 Harris helped found The Media Consortium... president of the board of Public Intelligence, Inc., the non-profit publisher of Jim Hightower's Hightower Lowdown... Between 1991 and 2009, Jay was the publisher of [Mother Jones](#), the investigative news organization, and president/CEO Mother Jones' non-profit parent. Between 2012 and 2014, Jay served as publisher of [The American Prospect](#)... served on the governing board of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists... vice chair of the [Soros-partnered] Independent Press Association."*

► [prospect.org/authors/jay-harris](http://prospect.org/authors/jay-harris) (accessed: March 14, 2017): *"media consultant and the director of the We the People Campaign, a project, started with Jim Hightower and Katrina vanden Heuvel, to fight the dominance of corporate influence in elections and policy."*

► [Tides Foundation](#): [tides.org/tidings/the-media/](http://tides.org/tidings/the-media/) (accessed: March 14, 2017): *"Indy [Independent] media that have partnered with Tides: Alternet, [Al Gore's] Current [TV, which broadcasted [The Young Turks](#) and other shows], Democracy Now!, ... The Media Consortium, Mother Jones..."*

► [Guidestar.org](#), [Foundation for National Progress](#) (financed by foundations as Rockefeller, Open Society, Ford, MacArthur, etc.) (accessed: March 13, 2017): *"The Foundation for National Progress is the sponsor for The Media Consortium."*

► 2007 annual report, Surdna Foundation, p. 54: *"Foundation for National Progress ... Support for core*

*program expenses for The Media Consortium ... \$100,000."*

- ▶ opensocietyfoundations.org, grants lists (accessed: March 13, 2017): *"Foundation for National Progress ... Year: 2010. ... Amount: 200,000. ... This grant supports the Media Consortium."*
- ▶ 2010 annual report, The Media Consortium, p. 24: *"The Media Consortium would like to give special thanks to its 2010 supporters: The [Open Society Institute](#) [of George Soros]... [Arca Foundation](#), [The Surdna Foundation](#) ... Wallace Global Fund."*
- ▶ May 15, 2013, CNS News, 'Soros Gave \$6.1 Million to Groups Linked to Pressure on IRS to Target Conservative Nonprofits': *"The [Media] consortium has also received \$675,000 in Soros funds since 2000."*

## PBS

- ▶ Prominent new left media outlet with endless historical CFR ties:
  - ▶ PBS's main founder in 1969 and its initial president was Hartford Gunn Jr., who by 1972 was a member of the CFR.
  - ▶ Jim Lehrer became an anchor of PBS in 1973, initially covering the Watergate affair, and from 1975-2011 served as anchor of what eventually became known as PBS NewsHour. Lehrer was invited to the CFR in 1980.
  - ▶ The legendary Bill Moyers operated his Bill Moyers Journal at PBS over 1971-1981, and again from 2007 to 2010. In "alternative" circles he probably is best known for his critical reports on the Contra scandal during the Reagan administration. Moyers not only was a member of the CFR from 1966 to 1985, he also served as director from 1967 to 1974, overlapping with the chairmanship of David Rockefeller. In the exact same period he was a Bilderberg steering committee, underscoring his close relationship to David Rockefeller. Things didn't really stop there. In 1990 Moyers became president of the "liberal CIA" foundation the Schumann Center, through which he funded PBS and other NGOs. Over the 1990s and 2000s he served as a trustee of the Open Society Institute, owned by "that other lefty" CFR member and Bilderberger: George Soros.
  - ▶ Chairman of PBS anno 2022 is Donald A. Baer, a member of the CFR since 1999. He joined the PBS Foundation's board in 2008 and has served as chair since 2011.
  - ▶ 1998 annual report: *"PBS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, As of October 7, 1998: ...*  
*- Colin G. Campbell (PBS Chairman [1997-2001; director*

1994-, vice chair 1996-1997) [CFR '89-]: *President Rockefeller Brothers Fund* New York [until 2000]. ...

- Alberto Ibarguen [director 1997-, vice chair 2001-, soon new PBS chair; member CFR 2001-, director CFR 2006-2013; director PepsiCo 2005-; President and CEO Knight Foundation 2005-, still anno 2022.]....

- Sharon P. Rockefeller [wife of CFR member Sen. Jay Rockefeller]....

- Charles L. Brown [not CFR], Former Chairman & CEO, AT&T...

- Wilbert J. LeMelle [CFR 1977-], President Phelps-Stokes Fund...

- Russell W. Meyer, Jr. [not CFR] Chairman & CEO, The Cessna Aircraft Company..."

- ▶ Pat Mitchell Seydel, an in-law of Ted Turner, was president and CEO of PBS 2006-2006, continuing as an "officer and advisor" of the 2004-created PBS Foundation:
  - ▶ February 8, 2000, New York Times, 'PBS Names Turner Broadcasting Executive as Its New President': "... the appointment of Pat Mitchell [Seydel]..."
  - ▶ pbs.org/aboutpbs/pbsfoundation/about/officers.html (accessed: Nov. 12, 2007): "Advisors and Officers: Pat Mitchell [CFR '03-]... Leadership: ... Paula Kerger [CFR '21-]... [chair and exec. director at this point never were CFR]..."
- ▶ October 31, 2001, PBS.org, 'Rex Adams of Duke University's Fuqua School of Business Succeeds Colonial Williamsburg Foundation Chairman Colin Campbell as PBS Board Chairman': "Rex D. Adams [as been] a longtime executive with Mobil Corporation..."
- ▶ pbs.org/aboutpbs/aboutpbs\_corp\_directors.html (accessed: Dec. 5, 2003): "Norman J. Ornstein (2005)\* [until 2008]: Resident Scholar, The American Enterprise Institute... Alberto Ibarguen (Chair [took over late 2003 from Adams, stayed chair until late 2005, then left]) (2004)\*\* Publisher, The Miami Herald [also listed as such in 2005]... Pat Mitchell: President, Public Broadcasting Service..."
- ▶ pbs.org/aboutpbs/aboutpbs\_corp\_directors.html (accessed: Dec. 24, 2009): "Charles T. ["Chuck"] Hagel [member CFR 1999-; SecDef 2013-2015]... Paula Kerger [CFR anno '22] ... Larry Irving (2011) \*\*\*: Vice President, Global Government Affairs, Hewlett-Packard... Sharon P. Rockefeller (2012) \*\* ... Geoffrey Sands (Chair) (2010) \* Director, McKinsey & Company..."
- ▶ pbs.org/about/aboutpbs/board-directors/ (accessed: March 9, 2022): "Chuck Hagel [member CFR 1999-; SecDef 2013-2015]... Paula Kerger [CFR anno '22] ... Jorge

*A. Plasencia [CFR anno '22]..."*

► Funding:

- [activistfacts.com/foundation/314-SchumannCenterforMediaDemocracy/](http://activistfacts.com/foundation/314-SchumannCenterforMediaDemocracy/) (accessed: December 17, 2015): *"Florence Ford Schumann, who died in 1991, and her husband John Schumann, started this foundation in 1961. ... The current President of the [Schumann Center] Foundation is PBS's Bill Moyers."*
- [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](http://parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261) (media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): *"[2014:] Greater Washington Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc. Arlington, VA. General operating support of PBS NewsHour. \$200,000. www.weta.org."*
- [Ford Foundation](#) grants to PFAW (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants 2006-2015):  
"  
- 103690: PBS Foundation. 2006. \$2,000,000. ...  
- 109788: PBS Foundation. 2008. \$1,000,000. "  
Total: \$3,000,000. Also \$3,990,000 to the Greater Washington Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc. in this same period.
- September 20, 2006, PBS.org, 'PBS Foundation and Skoll Foundation Establish Fund to Produce Unique Programming on Social Entrepreneurship': *"The PBS Foundation and the Skoll Foundation announced today the establishment of the PBS Foundation Social Entrepreneurship Fund with a three-year, \$2.5 million grant from the Skoll Foundation."*

## Salon.com

- Salon.com used to be a member of the in early 2006 founded [Media Consortium](#), which has been backed by [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) and George Soros' [Open Society Foundations](#).
- David Talbot was the founder, CEO and editor-in-chief of the liberal news site Salon.com 1995-2005. Briefly returned in 2011.
  - David Talbot, 1970s-1980s: Freelancer for [Rolling Stone](#). Hired by the Environmental Action Foundation in Washington, D.C. (partly financed by the [Rockefeller Family Fund](#)) to write the book *Power & Light*. Then an editor of the Rockefeller/Soros/Ford-financed [Mother Jones](#) magazine.
  - In 2008 he wrote the best-seller *Brothers: The Hidden History of the Kennedy Years*, a semi-decent book on the [JFK assassination](#), certainly as far as mainstream (or even alternative) books go:
    - 2008, James DiEugenio for [ctka.net](#), 'Review: David Talbot's Brothers' ([link](#)). Not an all-revealing book,

but certainly one that is skeptical of JFK's assassination and makes it clear that RFK himself was very suspicious of his brother's death.

- During the 2004 election season, the Clinton-, Ford Foundation-, George Soros- and CIA-affiliated Sidney Blumenthal was Washington D.C. bureau chief for Salon.com. From 2003 to 2007 Sidney, also a CFR member since 1992, served as a columnist for Salon. Biography and sources:

- Journalist for The New Republic, Washington Post and New Yorker in from the 1980s until 1997. Assistant and senior advisor to Bill Clinton August 1997 - January 2001. Regular columnist [The Guardian](#) 2003-2007. Aided Hillary Clinton in her senate and presidential campaign. Full-time employee Clinton Foundation 2009-2013, part-time consultant 2013-2015.

- May 18, 2015, New York Times, 'Clinton Friend's Memos on Libya Draw Scrutiny to Politics and Business': *"While advising Mrs. Clinton on Libya [in 2011-2012], Mr. Blumenthal ... was also employed by her family's philanthropy, the Clinton Foundation. ... During the same period, he also worked on and off as a paid consultant to [the [Ford Foundation](#) and George Soros-financed] [Media Matters](#) and [the [George Soros-financed](#)] [American Bridge](#), organizations that helped lay the groundwork for Mrs. Clinton's 2016 campaign.*

*Much of the Libya intelligence that Mr. Blumenthal passed on to Mrs. Clinton appears to have come from a group of business associates he was advising as they sought to win contracts from the Libyan transitional government. The venture, which was ultimately unsuccessful, involved other Clinton friends, a private military contractor and one former C.I.A. spy seeking to get in on the ground floor of the new Libyan economy."*

- November 15, 2007, Salon.com, 'Sidney Blumenthal departs': *"He's leaving Salon to join the Hillary Clinton campaign as a senior advisor. ... Sidney was our Washington bureau chief during the 2004 election, presided over one of the best accounts of George W. Bush's missing year in the Texas Air National Guard, and has been a weekly Salon columnist since 2003."*

## The Daily Beast

- The very prominent online newspaper The Daily Beast was founded in 2008 by billionaire Barry Diller, the husband of Princess Diane von Furstenberg (whose former husband was a son of the sister of Gianni Agnelli, the key Bilderberger and best friend of Henry Kissinger). The Daily Beast is owned by

the InterActiveCorp (IAC) of which Diller is the long-time chair, with Diane's son Alexander von Furstenberg on the board of directors, just as Edgar Bronfman Jr., Chelsea Clinton and Michael Eisner. While The Daily Beast is "for profit", Diller, Diane von Furstenberg and Alexander von Furstenberg together operate the "liberal CIA"-tied [Diller - von Furstenberg Family Foundation](#) while Chelsea Clinton is vice chair of the [Clinton Foundation](#). The Bronfmans aren't just into funding neocon think tanks, but also show up in ultraliberal corners as the [Tides Foundation](#) and the Ayahuasca cult [Uniao do Vegetal](#).

- ▶ [iac.com/brand/daily-beast](#) (accessed: April 29, 2017):  
*"The Daily Beast was founded in 2008 as the vision of Tina Brown and IAC Chairman & Senior Executive Barry Diller."*
- ▶ Until his forced dismissal in April 2010 over various counts of plagiarism, the chief investigative reporter of The Daily Beast was none other than Gerald Posner, the extremist and irrational debunker of any [John F. Kennedy assassination](#) theory. With that, The Daily Beast essentially hired a widely suspected chief CIA controlled opposition asset as their chief investigative reporter.
  - ▶ April 13, 2010, Huffington Post, 'Gerald Posner RESIGNS From Daily Beast Over Plagiarism Scandal': *"The Daily Beast's suspended chief investigative reporter has resigned over a plagiarism scandal."*
- ▶ A look at The Daily Beast's front page on April 29, 2017 reveals numerous anti-Trump articles, numerous anti "alt-right" articles, an anti-[Alex Jones](#) article and a pro-Syrian immigration article. The usual.
- ▶ Anno 2017, InterActiveCorp also controls virtually all online dating apss: Tinder, OKCupid, BlackPeopleMeet, etc. It also controls countless prominent websites as About.com, Ask.com, Dictionary.com, Vimeo.com, etc.

## The Young Turks

- ▶ "New Left" radio show founded in February 2002 by the 32-year-old Wharton and Columbia University graduate Cenk Uygur on Sirius Satellite Radio, followed by Air America (2006-2008, when Air America was a founding member of the Rockefeller/Soros-backed [Media Consortium](#)) and eventually YouTube.
- ▶ Suspected for years by ISGP of being part of the "liberal CIA" network for a number of reasons (before noticing the additional Media Consortium and Justice Democrats links TYT wasn't added here):
  - ▶ The Young Turks generally is very rational, but takes the

usual extremist "liberal CIA" / Soros approach with regard to immigration and black activism. They make valid points on U.S. police brutality, but completely ignore that [blacks, Latinos and Arabs have VASTLY higher crime numbers than white and Asian people](#).

- ▶ Similarly, The Young Turks aggressively pushes the "Islamophobia" line (Cenk himself was a Turkish Muslim who became a super-integrated American agnostic):
  - ▶ December 18, 2016, TYT, 'Suicide Bombings Have NOTHING To Do With Islam'. (80% dislikes).
  - ▶ October 12, 2016, TYT, 'Islamophobia Forces Family To Leave America The Young Turks'. (30% dislikes).
  - ▶ September 27, 2016, TYT, 'Are Australians Islamophobic?'. (80% dislikes).
  - ▶ April 2, 2015, TYT, 'Ayaan Hirsi Ali : "We Are At War With Islam"'. (66% dislikes). Ali is a Dutch immigrant from Africa who became an American neocon elitist after she fled the Netherlands after threats against her life by Muslim Jihadis.
  - ▶ October 6, 2014, TYT, 'Ben Affleck Angrily Defends Islam Against Bill Maher/Sam Harris'. (45% dislikes). Note: people are far more likely to vote up than down.
- ▶ The Young Turks serves as the liberal anti-thesis to Alex Jones' Infowars machine. Mainly initiated by Jones, the two outlets have been at each other's throats for years.
- ▶ Both founder Cenk Uygur and long-time co-host Ana Kasparian have appeared on the [Joe Rogan Experience podcast](#), which ISGP has also suspected of "liberal CIA" ties for years.
- ▶ In 2016 and 2017 former TYT contributor (2013-2015) Dave Rubin appeared on the Joe Rogan Experience podcast, complaining about Cenk Uygur's irrational and disingenuous handling of a debate with anti-Islamic neocon [Sam Harris](#). Rogan, as usual, was all confused about Uygur and stayed at the surface.
- ▶ On April 7, 2014 Ana Kasparian appeared on Russia Today with "liberal CIA" asset [Abby Martin](#) (of [Project Censored](#) and such), who has also appeared on the Joe Rogan Experience (repeatedly).
- ▶ The following connections I primarily noticed while putting this oversight together:
- ▶ From January to June 2011 TYT founder and host Cenk Uygur moonlighted as an anchor at MSNBC Live, where he helped replace the liberal extremist Keith Olbermann (his bizarre anti-Trump, anti-"racism" rants in 2016 were particularly prominent) and Ed Schultz. Uygur left voluntarily at the end of this term, because he did not accept a lower profile weekend slot.



- ▶ From 2011 to 2013 The Young Turks ran a weeknight TV edition on the Al Gore-owned Current TV:
  - ▶ January 3, 2013, The Young Turks, 'TYT is Independent, Not Owned by Current or Al Jazeera': *"[Cenk Uygur:] Do I get a paycheck from Current TV? Of course, I host the television show! Right? But is that connected to the online show? No, those are separate entities.*  
*[Steven Oh, chief operating officer of TYT 2010- and board director 2015-:] The Young Turks are not owned by Current TV. We're not owned by Al Gore. We're not owned by anybody. Al Gore and his tv station Current Television hired Cenk Uygur to do a single [read: parallel] show on their network. That's it. The company The Young Turks is completely independent... Whether Al Gore owns Current, Al Jazeera owns Current, doesn't really matter to our company and what we do here for our online show. ... There are these ridiculous, stupid comments online, like: "Cenk only said this because Al Gore pays him." God! It's so annoying! ... So we get no money from Al Gore, Al Jazeera, or George Soros."*
  - ▶ As with the to-be-discussed Rockefeller and Soros-linked [Media Consortium](#), it is very obvious that Current TV provided The Young Turks with additional exposure, even though it did not own the main part of the show. Clearly if TYT would not tow the "liberal CIA" line on immigration and other issues, they simply would never have gotten onto Gore's TV channel. Apart from that, Gore most certainly was paying Uygur. Gore, by the way, has been extremely close to [Pilgrims Society](#) and [1001 Club](#) members since the 1970s and 1980s, including Maurice Strong, the Rothschilds, Rockefellers, Prince Philip, Prince Charles, the Schiff family (through his daughter) and Theodore Roosevelt IV.
- ▶ The Young Turks has been a member of the [Media Consortium](#) since it was founded in early 2006 (initially through Air America Radio, then under TYT), with the organizing meeting taking place at Rockefeller Brothers Fund's Pocantico Center and hundreds of thousands of dollars coming from George Soros' [Open Society Foundations](#) in subsequent years. Funds for the Media Consortium have also come through the Surdna Foundation and Foundation for National Progress. It also maintained a strategic partnership with the Tides Foundation.
  - ▶ [themediaconsortium.org](#) (accessed: February 16, 2009): *"Write-in Vote For The Young Turks: We Hear You - mediabistro.com: TVNewser Cenk is competing for the coveted MSNBC hosting gig. And he's encouraging his audience to rally around him."*
  - ▶ [themediaconsortium.org](#) (accessed: July 7, 2006): *"Air America Radio [home of [The Young Turks](#) 2006-2008]."*

[Salon.com](#) [etc., etc.]..."

- ▶ [themediaconsortium.org/our-members/](#) (accessed: March 13, 2017): "[Alternet](#) ... [CMD](#) [[Sourcewatch](#)] ... [Democracy Now!](#) ... [Greg Palast](#) [etc., etc.] [The Young Turks](#)."
- ▶ On January 23, 2017, right after the inauguration of Donald Trump, Cenk Uygur (Columbia University) founded the Justice Democrats PAC with former staffers of Bernie Sanders' failed presidential campaign, including Saikat Chakrabarti (Harvard) and Zack Exley (Harvard), a former organizing director of [MoveOn.org](#) in a period that it was financed with millions from [George Soros](#) (he also was Chief Community Officer and Chief Revenue Officer for Wikipedia's Wikimedia Foundation 2010-2013). Bizarrely, [Bernie Sanders'](#) economists were very close David Rockefeller and George Soros men, who in turn have been very close friends of Bill and Hillary Clinton.
  - ▶ January 23, 2017, Washington Post, 'Progressives launch 'Justice Democrats' to counter party's 'corporate' legislators': *"Justice Democrats cohered after the 2016 election, when Uygur began talking to veterans of the presidential campaign of Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) about ways to challenge Democrats from the left. The Justice Democrats project counts Saikat Chakrabarti and Zack Exley, two tech veterans of the Sanders campaign, among its founders."*
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ August 8, 2017, The Young Turks, 'Progressive media outlet The Young Turks has raised \$20 million in venture-capital funding and plans to double its staff': *"The firms 3L Capital, Greycroft, E.ventures, and WndrCo, which is led by the business executive and Democratic Party kingmaker Jeffrey Katzenberg [of the [Sun Valley](#)], will invest \$20 million in the progressive media company..."*
  - ▶ February 11, 2020, [axios.com](#), 'Scoop: YouTube to fund launch of The Young Turks local news academy': *"Sources say the investment is in the mid-six-figures range."*

## Truthdig

- ▶ Fairly prominent liberal news website founded in November 2005. Significant contributors have included Gore Vidal ([a Pentagon-no-planer](#)), [Sam Harris](#), Robert Scheer, Chris Hedges, [Daniel Ellsberg](#), [Greg Palast](#), Scott Ritter and Amy Goodman of [Democracy Now!](#).
- ▶ 2013 Tides Foundation grants list: *"Truthdig LLC. \$205,400.00. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [www.truthdig.com](#)."*
- ▶ [truthdig.com/staff/zuade\\_kaufman](#) (accessed: December 2,

2016): "[Zuade Kaufman] earned a bachelor's degree in film theory and criticism from the University of California at Santa Cruz. ... MA in journalism from the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Southern California. ... She followed this with a course in publishing at Stanford University.

Convinced the future of journalism was online, in November 2005 she renewed her working relationship with Robert Scheer and together they founded Truthdig...

One of her recent initiatives, funded by [Warren Buffett's] NoVo Foundation, is publishing stories by women journalists... She established and is president of the Future of Journalism Foundation ... and she has set up a Truthdig fund at Tides Foundation to receive tax deductible contributions."

- ▶ support.truthdig.com/ (accessed: December 2, 2016): "Support Global Voices: Truthdig Women Reporting. Your donations to the Global Voices project are tax deductible through Truthdig's designated fund at Tides Foundation..."

## Truthout

- ▶ Progressive "grass-roots" news website, founded in the summer of 2000 by Marc Ash. Registered in September 2001. Webarchive shows that truthout.org has been up since April 2002 and truth-out.org since June 2010. Both display the same logo and are the same site. Right from the start in April 2002 semi-9/11 Truther William Rivers Pitt (born in 1971; son of Charles Redding Pitt, who served as chair of the Alabama state Democratic Party; press secretary for questionable 9/11 truther and chemtrail promoter Dennis Kucinich; editorial director Progressive Democrats of America) and Soros agent Arianna Huffington were listed at the top as contributors to the site.
- ▶ Right in 2002 Truthout had anti-Iraq War articles and a *Repeal the USA Patriot Act* series on its website, a video called *A Tearful FBI Agent Accuses Superiors of 9/11 Cover-up*, and a poll titled *Should a 9/11 Probe Include the White House?*. NSA whistleblower could regularly be found on the site.
- ▶ The board of advisors has included Dean Baker, Clinton secretary of labor Robert Reich (co-founder *The American Prospect*), Howard Zinn and Weatherman Underground founder Bill Ayers. Contributor Greg Palast, who can be linked to the Mossad top, in his youth was inspired by a Weather Underground member to go study at the University of Chicago.
  - ▶ truth-out.org/about-us (accessed: March 22, 2012): "Contributing Writers: ... Noam Chomsky ... Bill Moyers ... Greg Palast ... John Pilger ... Mark Provost ... Board of Advisers: Dean Baker ... Robert Reich ... Howard Zinn (deceased)."
  - ▶ truth-out.org/about-us (accessed: February 27, 2016): "Board of Advisers: Valerie Anderson, William [Bill]"

Ayers, Dean Baker..."

- ▶ Financed by a number of foundations:
  - ▶ 2007, [Schumann Center](#) of Soros-ally, CFR member and Bilderberg steering committee member Bill Moyers, Form 990-PF (grants): "
    - *Truthout.org, Encinitas, CA. A grant of \$500,000 for general support to strengthen editorial content through 2008. ...*"
  - ▶ 2011, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "- *Truthout ... \$250,000...*"
  - ▶ [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](http://parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261) ([Park Foundation](#) media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): "
    - 2014: ... *Truthout Sacramento, CA. General operating support. \$15,000. [www.truth-out.org](http://www.truth-out.org).*
    - 2013: ... *Truthout Sacramento, CA General operating support \$15,000. [www.truth-out.org](http://www.truth-out.org). ...*
    - 2012: ... *Truthout Sacramento, CA General operating support \$15,000 [www.truth-out.org](http://www.truth-out.org). ...*
    - 2010: ... *Truthout Sacramento, CA General operating support \$15,000 [www.truthout.org](http://www.truthout.org)."*
  - ▶ 2014, [Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#) grants list: "*Truthout.*"
- ▶ [readersupportednews.org/who-is-this](http://readersupportednews.org/who-is-this) (accessed: February 27, 2016): "*24 September 09: Reader Supported News is a new service by the creator of Truthout, Marc Ash [refers to himself in third person]. I started Truthout in downtown Los Angeles in the summer of 2000, as the Democratic convention unfolded a few blocks away. I did so without realizing that I would fail, and as a result, I succeeded. Truthout built its following among readers who wanted to better understand the most important stories of the day, but had grown tired of the hype and sales-pitching of the big corporate outlets. Reader Supported News (RSN) will carry forward the core concept that the reader is best served by financial control of the news service they depend on. No outside investment capital was used in the startup of RSN. No advertising money will be accepted by RSN. No grants will be sought by RSN. We like having the reader as our boss. The service is free to all - even if you cannot contribute, we are honored to have you join us as a reader. RSN will not be a non-profit.*"
- ▶ May 13, 2002, Counterpunch, 'Leaving the Truth Out?': "*Truthout, an online newsletter and website boasting 250,000 subscribers, wants to outflank the distortions of mainstream media by disseminating news of interest to left-liberals. ... Truthout's editor, Marc Ash, claims the publication has no organizational affiliations and is entirely reader-supported — though five staffers, and the server power necessary to support a quarter-million users, don't come cheap. Given its incessant showcasing of Beltway Democrats — even career hacks like Daschle and Gephardt get flattering headlines*

*whenever they say anything remotely progressive — I've sometimes wondered whether it's actually a James Carville-style undercover operation, aimed at cajoling Naderites back into the Democratic fold. (Suggestively, of all the questions I asked Ash about Truthout's history, purpose, and funding, the only one he was willing to answer was whether the publication is connected in some way with the Democratic Party. It is not, he said, and I'll take him at his word — though I suspect a list of contributors might make interesting reading.) At any rate, Truthout has frequently attacked the Bush administration for lying about its aggressive global agenda, and has criticized mainstream media for reporting those lies uncritically. Typically, however, an exception is made where Palestine is concerned."*

- ▶ February 12, 2015, Gawker, 'Obama Secretly Partied With Bill Ayers Last Summer': *"On Aug. 30, 2014, MSNBC anchor Alex Wagner and former White House chef Sam Kass got married at a private wedding north of New York City. It was widely reported at the time that President Obama, a longtime friend of the groom, attended the ceremony with his family. There were two other notable guests, however, whose attendance has been successfully kept secret: Bill Ayers and Bernardine Dohrn, the former campus radicals whose loose association with the Obama family over the years has inspired countless Fox News fever-dreams and led to Sarah Palin's famous accusation that Obama "pal[s] around with terrorists." We recently heard that Ayers and Dohrn, both former leaders of the Weather Underground, the militant left-wing group best known for bombing empty government buildings in the 1970s, were also present for the Wagner-Kass celebration at the Blue Hill at Stone Barns, a restaurant and event space in Pocantico Hills, New York. ... Ayers and Dohrn, who are 70 and 73, were linked to dozens of bombings of evacuated buildings belonging to the U.S. government and financial institutions, and helped design much of the Weathermen's philosophical framework. The pair went into hiding between 1970 and 1980 after a bomb—allegedly prepared to maim Army soldiers at New Jersey's Fort Dix—prematurely detonated in the basement of a Greenwich Village townhouse used by Weathermen to stage guerrilla attacks. Neither were ever charged for their involvement in any specific Weathermen bombing, but Dohrn—who spent three years on the FBI's Most Wanted list—eventually pleaded guilty to aggravated battery. Ayers went on to become a well-known scholar of education, and Dohrn became a professor at the Northwestern University School of Law and co-founded the school's Children and Family Justice Center. Obama has played down his association with the couple since 2008, when a variety of critics in both the Republican and Democratic camps began*

*suggesting that he had formed his beliefs in the mold of Ayers's revolutionary politics. This accusation arose from the fact that Obama and Ayers lived in the same neighborhood, Chicago's Hyde Park, for a period of time in the 1990s. The two men and Dohrn attended the same parties, and had some of the same friends, but otherwise did not develop a close friendship. Still, Obama's first presidential campaign was forced to "condemn" the Weathermen—and, by extension, Ayers and Dohrn—after Ben Smith, then at Politico and now the editor-in-chief of BuzzFeed, reported that Obama had launched his 1995 campaign for the Illinois State Senate at the couple's home in Hyde Park, with the grace of their mutual friend and outgoing state senator Alice Palmer, who named Obama as her successor at the gathering. "Obama's relationship with Ayers is an especially vivid milepost on his rise, in record time, from a local official who unabashedly reflected a very liberal district to the leader of national movement based largely on the claim that he can transcend ideological divides," Smith wrote. The implication that Obama was influenced by the architects of the Weather Underground remains absurd."*

► 9/11 Truth-related articles:

► August 12, 2002, columnist William Rivers Pitt for Truthout.org, 'All Along the Watchtower': *"Stanley Hilton, a San Francisco attorney and former aide to Senator Bob Dole, filed a \$7 billion lawsuit in U.S. District Court on June 3rd. The class-action suit names ten defendants, among whom are George W. Bush, Dick Cheney, Condoleezza Rice, Donald Rumsfeld and Norman Mineta. Hilton's suit charges Bush and his administration with allowing the September 11th attacks to take place so as to reap political benefits from the catastrophe. Hilton alleges that Osama bin Laden is being used as a scapegoat by an administration that ignored pressing warnings of the attack and refused to round up suspected terrorists beforehand. Hilton alleges the ultimate motivation behind these acts was achieved when the Taliban were replaced by American military forces with a regime friendly to America and its oil interests in the region. Hilton's plaintiffs in this case are the families of 14 victims of 9/11, numbering 400 people nationwide. These are the same families that rallied in Washington recently to advocate for an independent investigation into the attacks. The current 9/11 hearings are being conducted by Congress behind closed doors, a situation these families find unacceptable. Mr. Hilton, by filing his lawsuit, has joined the ranks of an ever-increasing body of Americans who subscribe to what they call the LIHOP Theory. LIHOP stands for Let It*

*Happen On Purpose. The LIHOP Theory puts forward the accusation that Bush and his people allowed the September 11th attacks to take place, despite the fact that they had been repeatedly warned of an impending strike. The LIHOP Theory is straightforward: In the months before 9/11, American intelligence agencies received ominous warnings from the intelligence services of nations like Israel, Russia, Egypt and Germany. These warnings were pointed - an attack involving hijacked aircraft and prominent American landmarks was imminent, our security forces were told. Bush himself was briefed of these warnings weeks before they happened. Instead of responding vigorously to these warnings, the Bush administration and its security apparatus did nothing. LIHOP is, of course, the purest breed of conspiracy theory, involving high-ranking members of government from both parties, as well as the CIA, FBI and NSA. Like all good conspiracy theories, LIHOP is surrounded by disturbing facts and bits of evidence that are difficult to ignore. The warnings from all those foreign intelligence services, after all, are quite real. Egypt, Germany, Russia and the Israelis were vociferous in their concerns. The German intelligence service BND told US and Israeli intelligence that Middle East terrorists were "planning to hijack commercial aircraft to use as weapons to attack important symbols of American and Israeli culture." The BND's information came through Echelon, the American-controlled network of 120 satellites that monitors all worldwide electronic communications. Egypt voiced similar warnings that same month regarding aircraft attacks. Delivered just before the G-8 summit in Genoa, Egypt's alert carried such weight that anti-aircraft batteries were placed around Columbus Airport in Italy. The Russians warned the US that same summer of 25 pilots who had been trained for suicide missions, and Putin himself delivered the warning "in the strongest possible terms" to the US government. The Israeli intelligence service Mossad delivered a warning to both the FBI and the CIA detailing "a major assault on the United States" against "a large-scale target" that was "very vulnerable." The Washington Post has reported that the NSA intercepted two messages on September 10, 2001, warning that something was going to happen the next day. "Tomorrow is zero hour," was one of the messages. The NSA's charter is to intercept, translate and pass on to FBI and CIA operatives important electronic signals from all across the globe. The Echelon satellite network which provided the German BND with their 9/11 information last June is part*



of that system. According to the NSA, the September 10th data was not translated until September 12th, but it stands to reason that they were privy to the same electronic data the other foreign services were using as the basis for their warnings. One US intelligence source claims the data provided "no actionable intelligence," a fair claim given the vagueness of the messages and the volume of material NSA must deal with. Yet in combination with the strident foreign intelligence warnings, the words intercepted by our large electronic ears on September 10th add to the growing questions. Then, there are the threads. A FEMA official told Dan Rather that the disaster agency had been at the World Trade Center on September 10th. Why Governor Jeb Bush of Florida signed executive order #01-261 on September 7th, putting his state's National Guard on heightened alert status, essentially placing Florida under martial law for no demonstrable reason. Why Attorney General John Ashcroft stopped flying on commercial aircraft in the weeks before 9/11, something he had commonly done since his entry into the administration. Why At the core of the LIHOP Theory lies motivation - what possible purpose could be served by the Bush administration allowing a terrorist attack to take place on American soil It is flatly inconceivable to most Americans that Bush and his people could demonstrate such callous disregard for American lives, and accusations that they allowed an attack to happen reek of the worst kind of poisonous partisan politics. LIHOP Theory, however, is not so easily dismissed. Two French intelligence analysts, Jean-Charles Brisard and Guillaume Dasquie, have published an extensively-researched book entitled "Osama bin Laden: The Forbidden Truth." In it, they allege that the Bush administration put energy policy before national security concerns. According to Brisard and Dasquie, a foundering pipeline project aimed at exploiting natural gas reserves along the Caspian Sea in Turkmenistan was revived by the Bush administration when it arrived in Washington in January of 2001. The pipeline project, which sought to bring oil and natural gas from Turkmenistan through Afghanistan to a warm water port, had been the brainchild of American petroleum giant Unocal for much of the 1990s. After the destruction of two American embassies in Africa in 1998 by Osama bin Laden, the Clinton administration forbade any American companies from doing business with the Taliban, which had been sheltering bin Laden in Afghanistan. Unocal's pipeline project was frozen. After the Bush administration came to power, Brisard and Dasquie

allege that reinvigorating the pipeline project became a high-priority matter of policy. Assistant Secretary of State Christina Rocca was dispatched to Pakistan to discuss the pipeline with Taliban officials in August of 2001. Rocca, a career officer with the CIA, had been deeply involved in Agency activities within Afghanistan. According to documents Brisard and Dasquie claim to hold, the main subject of their discussion was oil. A Pakistani foreign minister was also present at the meeting, and witnessed the exchange. How does this pipeline relate to September 11th According to Brisard and Dasquie, the main obstacle to the completion of the pipeline was the fact that it had to pass through Taliban-controlled Afghanistan. The project would receive no international support unless the Afghan government somehow became legitimized. In bargaining for the pipeline, the Bush administration demanded that the Taliban reinstate deposed King Mohammad Zahir Shah as ruler of Afghanistan, and demanded that the Taliban hand over Osama bin Laden for arrest. In return, the Taliban would reap untold billions in profit from the pipeline. According to Brisard and Dasquie, part of the Bush administration's bargaining tactics involved threats of war if these conditions for the legitimization of Afghanistan were not met. The BBC of London reported on September 18th, 2001 of the existence of war plans on Bush's desk aimed at Afghanistan. Niaz Naik, a former Pakistani Foreign Secretary, stated that the war plans were slated for October of 2001. Conditions set by the Bush administration to avoid war involved the Taliban's handing over of bin Laden and the acceptance of King Zahir Shah. Naik went so far as to doubt that America would hold off on war even if these conditions were met. The result, according to the French analysts, was total disaster. The Bush administration fundamentally misunderstood the Taliban regime - to bring back the King and hand bin Laden over to the West would have been tantamount to suicide for the Taliban. Instead of acquiescing to the hard-sell tactics of the Bush administration, the Taliban unleashed their pet attack dog, Osama, upon America. They were going to lose everything, and chose to attack first in the hope that all-out war would break out in Central Asia and rally other Muslim nations to their cause. Motive suddenly becomes far more clear. The Bush administration very much wanted the Unocal pipeline to go through, and put intense pressure on the Taliban to see it happen. As this was happening, American intelligence services were flooded with warnings of an impending attack upon

American targets by bin Laden and Al Qaida. The decision was made - let the attack come, and in the ensuing outrage American forces can carve out the guts of the Taliban government like a ripe gourd, replacing them with a 'legitimate' regime more receptive to the pipeline plan. Did the Bush administration have an inkling of the massive death and destruction that would come on September 11th? Those who espouse the LIHOP Theory disagree on this point. Some believe that FEMAs presence at Ground Zero on the day before the attack, coupled with specific language within the international intelligence warnings pertaining to aircraft and high-profile targets, are prima facie evidence of specific prior knowledge. Others believe that the Bush administration only knew vaguely that an attack would come, but not where or when. They did not foresee the level of destruction, and were caught flat-footed when those planes appeared along the New York skyline. In the end, LIHOP Theory can encompass either view. Whether they had specific knowledge beforehand, or merely decided to let some attack happen somewhere, the final results were the same. The Taliban were routed and replaced by an interim government headed by a man named Harmid Karzai. Karzai was recently elected President of Afghanistan in his own right, legitimizing the Afghanistan government. Soon after this, Karzai announced the impending construction of a pipeline that would exploit Turkmenistan's natural gas reserves. He named Unocal as the lead company for the project. Before becoming President, Karzai was an advisor to Unocal. For LIHOP Theorists, the evidence is clear. The Bush administration got the pipeline it wanted. Along the way, they used the horrors of 9/11 to place themselves above reproach. In the patriotic fervor that resulted from the attacks, both the press and the Democratic opposition were bracketed by the administration-espoused idea that any questions or criticism were tantamount to treason. The passage of the PATRIOT Anti-Terror Act has given the US government sweeping abilities to snuff dissent by defining it as terrorism, thanks to the loosely-defined wording of the bill. Bush enjoyed stratospheric approval ratings that persist to this day, and American citizens were given new enemies to hate. The Defense Department, and the weapons contractors who cater to them, received billions from the federal budget to do with as they pleased in order to address the objects of that hate. Even the most hardened political observer must admit the dismal truth - September 11th was the greatest thing ever to happen to

*the Bush administration. Attorney Stanley Hilton has brought LIHOP Theory into the federal court system with his class-action suit, and with the families of 9/11 victims he represents. It will be interesting to see what transpires when these two facts collide in an American courtroom. Given the current climate, it does not seem likely that much will come of it. After all, these conspiracy theorists are just a bunch of nuts. Right William Rivers Pitt is a teacher from Boston, MA. His new book, The Greatest Sedition is Silence, will be published soon by Pluto Press."*

- ▶ October 5, 2010, Truthout.org, 'The Economic Hit Man Confesses Again: An Interview With John Perkins' ([John Perkins is a no-planer](#) with his Pachamama Alliance financed by the [Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#) and the [Tides Foundation](#)): *"We have to put our foot down about this whole military-industrial-complex, the corporatocracy. We have to realize that we have to create a new economy in this country. And you're absolutely right, I mean, so many of the drug wars around the world, whether it's Colombia, Mexico or wherever, are driven by the fact that the corporatocracy makes a huge amount of money in sales of equipment. Colombia has been the number four recipient of US military aid in the world, following behind Egypt, Israel and Iraq. And I suspect that Afghanistan may have surpassed Colombia, but the drug war in Colombia has provided a tremendous source of revenue for big US corporations that are providing helicopters, planes and other military equipment. And now we're doing it in Mexico. In my opinion - and it's just my opinion - the CIA is very, very deeply involved in drug trafficking. We know about the Iran-Contra deal, where very mysterious things were going on; we know about the Opium Wars that were started under the British Empire, in India and China. These countries have a history of using drugs as a way to finance clandestine activities. And for a long time, in Vietnam and throughout the Golden Triangle of Asia, the CIA was funneling funds from drug use into its own clandestine operations. We know this goes on. I'm sure it's part of what's happening in Colombia and Mexico now. Again, it's a tremendous impetus for weapons suppliers and industries that support that. We have to remember that every time a missile is sold, or an AK-47 that's made in the U.S. or any other military equipment made in the United States or sold by a multinational corporation, it isn't just the manufacturer and distributor that make money, it's insurance companies that support these corporations, healthcare service companies, it's the banks, every one of*

*these major military suppliers has a huge ripple effect on many other industries. And we, the people of the United States, must insist that we get out of this terrible dependency that we have on the military."*

## Vice Media

- ▶ Despite not taking any foundation funds, Vice Media is considered solid "Liberal CIA" for a whole bunch of reasons.
- ▶ The latest reason is that Vice has been very aggressively involved in the pushing of white guilt and even outright racism against whites. One example from Vice Netherlands is mentioned in ISGP's article [40 White Guilt Propaganda Tactics Used by Media...](#) In this case Vice was among the handful of outlets daring to suggest that Arabs calling Dutch whites "potatoes" isn't racist because Dutch people eat... potatoes. Meaning that Arabs calling Dutch whites "cheese heads" and "milk bottles" also can't be racist, because us, white people, eat and drink these things too. Some other examples can be found below:
  - ▶ April 7, 2013, Vice, 'New Atheism's Nasty Streak of Islamophobia'.
  - ▶ September 7, 2015, Vice, 'Islamophobia Is On the Rise in London, with Hate-Crimes Up 70 Percent on Last Year'.
  - ▶ October 22, 2015, Vice, 'White People Talk About Their White Privilege'.
  - ▶ November 18, 2015, Vice, 'We Can't Let America Give in to Islamophobia; Paris is deeply associated with love, but after the horrific attacks of last week, which left 129 people dead, too many are trying to use the city to fill us with hate.'
  - ▶ August 27, 2016, Vice, 'What an Alleged Hate-Fueled Murder Says About Islamophobia in America'.
  - ▶ October 3, 2016, Manisha Krishnan for Vice, 'Dear White People, Please Stop Pretending Reverse Racism Is Real; It's literally impossible to be racist to a white person.'
  - ▶ October 15, 2016, Vice, 'Want to Heal Yourself from "Toxic Whiteness"? This Class Can Help; The people behind the self-help/intersectional feminism publication Everyday Feminism are offering a course that aims to educate people of privilege so "individual people of color don't have to."'
  - ▶ April 19, 2018, Vice, '100 Ways White People Can Make Life Less Frustrating For People of Color; Just a few suggestions to start with.'
  - ▶ April 28, 2018, Vice, 'The Conservative Party Is Still Ignoring Its Islamophobia Problem'.
  - ▶ August 7, 2018, Vice, 'How Long Can the Tories Ignore

### Their Islamophobia Problem?'

- ▶ The initial reason of skepticism towards Vice was for its virtual monopoly on covering New Left controversial topics as euthanasia, ibogaine, drug policy reform, atheist qigong (Wim Hof), and more.
- ▶ A second reason was that an employee of Vice Media owner Shane Smith, [Dell Cameron](#), was pushing no-plane-at-Pentagon theories on the Joe Rogan Experience, along with no-plane disinformers and "liberal CIA" asset [Abby Martin](#) and Pizzagate disinformers [David Seaman](#).
- ▶ Turns out, Shane Smith is a friend of Joe Rogan and has visited his podcast on a good number of occasions. During podcast appearances Smith was:
  - ▶ painting the usual apocalyptic doom scenarios on global warming (while legitimate worries exist, he brought the subject in the usual dogmatic evangelical manner).
  - ▶ also painting more unrealistic doom scenarios how a regional nuclear war between India and Pakistan would pretty much result in the end of the world due to the destruction of the ozone layer. That's a highly suspect claim. Smith explained how Clinton had said to him that nothing scared him more than a war between India and Pakistan in the period that he was in office.
- ▶ Looking around, it turns out that in 2015 Shane Smith was invited to the elite [Clinton Global Initiative](#), together with elites as George Soros and Bill Gates:
  - ▶ [clintonfoundation.org/press-releases/media-advisory-clinton-global-initiative-2015-annual-meeting-september-26-29-new-york](http://clintonfoundation.org/press-releases/media-advisory-clinton-global-initiative-2015-annual-meeting-september-26-29-new-york): *"His Majesty King Abdullah II ibn Al Hussein [of Jordan]... Sir Richard Branson... Bill Gates, Co-chair and Trustee, [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#)... John McFarlane, Chairman, Barclays... [George Soros](#)... Jim Yong Kim, President, World Bank Group. ... Shane Smith, CEO and co-founder of Vice Media..."*
- ▶ Already in November 2013 the supposedly ultraright Rupert Murdoch of Fox News invested \$70 million in Vice Media, taking a 5% stake, with his son, James, joining the board (both have been decades-long visitors of the liberal-dominated [Sun Valley Meetings](#)).
  - ▶ November 21, 2013, Hollywood Reporter, '21st Century Fox Deputy COO James Murdoch Joins Vice Media Board': *"Vice Media, in which Fox this summer acquired a 5 percent [\$70 million] stake. ... The son of Fox chairman and CEO Rupert Murdoch now serves as a director of the privately youth media company along with former Viacom CEO Tom Freston and others, sources said without providing details on when he started the role. Because Vice is not publicly traded, it doesn't have to announce such appointments or*

*disclose who sits on its board."*

- ▶ Oldest semi-establishment ties of Vice Media owner Shane Smith that can be found:
  - ▶ Spring 1999, volume XV, no. 1, Rocky Mountain Institute newsletter: *"BENEFACTORS: \$10,000 and over: ARIA Foundation. Patricia Chernoff Charitable Trust. Compton Foundation, Inc. The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation. The Energy Foundation. The Golden Rule Foundation. Richard & Rhoda Goldman Fund. William & Flora Hewlett Foundation. J.M. Kaplan Fund, Inc. Mellon Private Capital Management. New-land Foundation. The Cissy Patterson Foundation. Rockefeller Financial Services. Turner Foundation, Inc. Wallace Global Fund. ASSOCIATES: \$1-\$99: ... Shane Smith..."*
- ▶ Update on funding:
  - ▶ May 3, 2019, Variety, 'Vice Media Gets \$250 Million in Debt Funding From George Soros, Other Investors': *"The company's new debt financing was led by 23 Capital ... with participation by Soros Fund Management, Fortress Investment Group and Monroe Capital..."*

## Vox Media

- ▶ Vox Media was founded on August 1, 2002 by [Daily Kos](#) founder Markos Moulitsas, his close political ally Jerome Armstrong, and Tyler Bleszinsky, at that point the media relations manager of Ogilvy Public Relations Worldwide.
- ▶ In 2005 Moulitsas and Bleszinski founded the sports site SB Nation, which came to fall under the Vox Media umbrella. Another co-founder was Jim Bankoff ([BA international studies](#); [MBA Wharton](#); [vice president AOL](#); [founder TMZ](#); [CEO Vox Media since 2009](#), the parent company of SB Nation and sites as [MMAFighting.com](#) (previously owned by AOL)).
- ▶ On April 6, 2014 the Vox.com news site was launched. It took less than two years to break the top 1000 of most popular websites in the world.
- ▶ "Liberal CIA"/foundation ties of Vox Media:
  - ▶ Considering Vox Media is a for-profit company, it does not receive financing from key "liberal CIA" foundations. However, Markos Moulitsas was going through a year plus-long recruiting process to become an undercover CIA agent while he founded Vox Media in August 2002 and possibly already was in the process of applying when he founded [Daily Kos](#), a prominent "new left" blog site that has received partial financing of the [Tides Foundation](#). Background sources on Moulitsas, the CIA, and NGO financing can be found at the [Daily Kos](#) entry on this page.
  - ▶ In addition, in this same 2002 period Moulitsas built his



initial fame through fellow-blogger Jerome Armstrong (with whom he founded Vox and other projects), who himself appears to have been a "liberal CIA" asset as a 1980s environmental activist for [Earth First!](#) and [Greenpeace](#) while obtaining a graduate degree in conflict resolutions and joining the Peace Corps and AmeriCorps.

- ▶ Add to this the "liberal CIA" ties of Vox.com's Ezra Klein (who has long-standing political ties to Moulitsis and Armstrong): Howard Dean presidential campaign staffer in 2003 and one of the earliest bloggers to report from presidential campaign conventions (Vox Media founders Markos Moulitsas and Jerome Armstrong were key bloggers employed by the Howard Dean campaign in the same period). Intern at the foundation-backed [Washington Monthly](#) in 2004. Associate editor of the foundation-backed [The American Prospect](#) where he maintained his blog since 2007. Blogger on politics and economy for the Washington Post 2009-2014. Also a contributor to MSNBC and Bloomberg in this period. Founder and editor-in-chief of [Vox.com](#), a successful progressive "new left" website, since 2014.
- ▶ Even before noticing the CIA ties of Moulitsas and possibly Armstrong, ISGP already suspected Vox.com of "liberal CIA" ties due to [its extreme anti-Trump and pro-Third World immigration stance \(ignoring Third World immigrant crime numbers\)](#) despite being so-called anti-establishment "new media". And then because of the Ezra Klein background.
  - ▶ October 13, 2016, Vox.com, 'Behind Michelle Obama's heartfelt speech: 8 years of sexist and racist attacks'.
  - ▶ November 7, 2016, Vox.com, 'If Donald Trump becomes the face of American racism, racism wins'.
  - ▶ November 9, 2016, Vox.com, "'All the black and brown people have to leave': Trump's scary impact on how kids think'.
  - ▶ November 9, 2016, Vox.com, 'Donald Trump's win tells people of color they aren't welcome in America The message is loud and clear.'
  - ▶ January 4, 2017, Vox.com, 'Study: racism and sexism predict support for Trump much more than economic dissatisfaction'.
- ▶ Also, in the past ISGP noticed how the comment sections of SB Nation-participating websites appear to be watched by a small but very dedicated group of extremist "anti-racism" contributors who sometimes moonlight as (questionable) conspiracy theorists.
- ▶ Anti-Trump pro-Third World immigration propaganda is regularly infesting SB Nation's sports pages. For example:
  - ▶ January 15, 2018, Bloody Elbow, 'Joe Rogan criticizes 'Disney-fied' Star Wars: Characters were all black and

Asian, with women running things'.

- ▶ January 18, 2018, Ariel Helwani for MMAFighting, 'Francis Ngannou calls President Trump 'a shame for America' in response to alleged immigration comments'. Comments, as usual, disabled, also for YouTube video, which is almost 50% downvoted.
- ▶ January 24, 2018, Karim Zidan (an Egyptian) for Bloody Elbow, 'Fighting Fascism: The gym owner behind Greece's anti-fascist fight club'. Includes a Trump section, equating him with fascism.
- ▶ Turns out, Karim Zidan, who writes tons of articles for Bloody Elbow (on Nazis in MMA, MMA-related corruption in Russia, Third World "refugees", etc.), can be tied to George Soros rather easily:
  - ▶ [twitter.com/zidansports](https://twitter.com/zidansports) (accessed: June 21, 2018): *"Exploring intersection of politics & sports. Editor @BloodyElbow (@SBNation). Bylines: @Deadspin, @BleacherReport, @OpenDemocracy. Appeared on: @RealSportsHBO. ... June 21, 2018 [retweets:] "#WorldCup. Modric, from child refugee to Croatia's World Cup captain. ... Reminder that some of the #CRO players were refugees. And they just banned together to defeat the most skilled footballer in the world."*
  - ▶ [opendemocracy.net/author/karim-zidan](https://opendemocracy.net/author/karim-zidan) (accessed: June 21, 2018; 13 articles listed between June 2016 and June 2018)
  - ▶ [opendemocracy.net/about/supporters](https://opendemocracy.net/about/supporters) (accessed: June 21, 2018): *"£5,000 - £10,000 [and] £20,000 - £25,000: ... [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) ... £40,000 - £60,000: [Ford Foundation](#) ... [NoVo Foundation](#) [of Warren Buffett]... £60,000 - £80,000: ... [National Endowment for Democracy \(NAWA\)](#). [Oak Foundation](#)... £80,000 - £100,000: ... [Ford Foundation](#) ... £100,000+: ... [Mott Foundation](#) ... [Open Society Foundations](#) [listed three times, 4 donors of this size in total; also listed in a lower tier]"*
  - ▶ Similar to Bloody Elbow, MMAFighting.com is part of the SBNation network with its comment section infested by antifa-type contributors. When Conor McGregor, right after his spectacular win over Donald Cerrone, gave out his support for Trump in a tweet, MMAFighting.com was completely silent on it, despite many media outlets mentioning it. BloodElbow.com reported on it, with the comment section being near 100% super-negative about it. In contrast, when Kevin Lee came out in support of Bernie Sanders, MMAFighting.com did dedicate an "he's such a brave boy"-type article to it.
    - ▶ January 2, 2020, BloodyElbow, 'Conor McGregor praises 'phenomenal' GOAT President Donald

Trump on Martin Luther King Jr. Day'.

- ▶ February 2, 2020, Damon Martin for MMAFighting, 'Kevin Lee Unafraid to Show Support for Bernie Sanders Regardless of Political Blowback from Fans and Fighters'.
- ▶ When on October 30, 2020 dominant lightweight champion Khabib Nurmagomedov called for the "disfigurement" of "creature" French president Macron over supporting free speech in the wake of the decapitation of a French teacher who insulted Islam, MMAFighting.com again did not report on the affair ("site:" doublecheck, plus criticism over it). Weird of course, because this news would draw enormous debate. Bloody Elbow did report on it, translated "Allah" as "God" in a futile attempt to lessen the impact of the news, and again it is remarkable to see the level of antifa-support in the comment sections:
  - ▶ October 30, 2020 @khabib\_nurmagomedov Instagram post (still there after all the controversy; translation): *"May the Almighty disfigure the face of this creature and all its followers, who, under the slogan of freedom of speech, offend the feelings of more than one and a half billion Muslim believers. May the Almighty humiliate them in this life, and in the next. Allah is quick in calculation and you will see it. We are Muslims, we love our Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) more than our mothers, fathers, children, wives and all other people close to our hearts. Believe me, these provocations will come back to them, the end is always for the God-fearing."*
  - ▶ November 1, 2020, Fox News, 'UFC star Khabib Nurmagomedov slams France's Macron amid recent attacks in country; Nurmagomedov shared a picture of the president with a boot mark across his face on social media': *"May the Almighty disfigure the face of this scum and all his followers..."* the recently retired UFC star wrote."
  - ▶ forums.sherdog.com/threads/khabib-goes-full-extremist-and-threatens-france-president-macron-europe (created: Oct. 30, 2020; removed within days; also not in the Google cache).
  - ▶ October 19, 2020, The Moscow Times, '2 Russian MMA Fighters Praise French Teacher's Decapitation – Reports': *"Two Russian MMA fighters, Zelim Imadaev and Albert Duraev, have shown support for the decapitation of a French teacher by a Chechen refugee this weekend, reports said. ... According to Russian sports reporter Alexander Lyutikov's*

*Instagram post Sunday, Imadaev called Anzorov a "hero" and Duraev joked that "freedom of speech has lost its beginning in France." ...*

*"These statements were made in [Instagram] stories and are meant to disappear soon, so I decided to save them here," Lyutikov wrote. Neither Instagram story was visible as of Monday, and Lyutikov said the social media company had blocked his post for violating its community guidelines on violence. Russian imageboards have circulated screenshots of Imadaev and Anzorov's statements on the Telegram messaging app.*

*Imadaev, 25, has logged three losses as a UFC fighter. Duraev, 31, is a former welterweight and middleweight champion of the Chechnya-based Absolute Championship Akhmat (ACA) organization who was awaiting entry into the UFC this year. UFC's website restricted access to Imadaev's profile while other Chechen fighters' profiles are still publicly available."*

- ▶ October 31, 2020, BJPenn.com, 'Khabib Nurmagomedov on president of France: "May the Almighty disfigure the face of this creature"'. Only MMA newspaper apparently citing this quote. Interesting too how there are relatively few comments in the reply section, but that they are all very uncensored and aggressively "right-wing".
- ▶ October 31, 2020, MoroccoWorldNews.com, "I Understand': France's Macron Backs Down on Caricatures of Prophet': *"French President Emmanuel Macron has retracted his position on the ongoing, fierce debate about freedom of speech in France. In a remarkable u-turn speech, Macron said that his government does not stand behind the free display of caricatures depicting Prophet Muhammad. Macron clarified his new position on the cartoons in an interview with Al Jazeera. The caricatures, he argued, are not a governmental agenda. They emerge instead from free and independent newspapers. [the uncensored images are hard to find in any search engine]*

*After a 18-year-old Chechen refugee murdered French history teacher Samuel Paty on October 16 for showing caricatures of Prophet Muhammad to his students, the French president said that France will not give up the caricatures.*

*He suggested the drawings were an expression of France's secular values, and that Islamists wanted to hijack France's future. Macron's statements*

*sparked outrage among Muslims around. ... Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan questioned the mental health of the French president, describing his remarks as "unacceptable.""*

- October 30, 2020, BloodyElbow.com, 'Khabib Nurmagomedov attacks French President Macron over comments about Islam; The retired UFC star invoked the wrath of God on Emmanuel Macron...'; comment section (most of the excuse-making posts are in the top half): "

- **Ave\_:** *"Screw all the right-wing provocateurs who are using this as an excuse to claim vindication for their racism and Islamophobia. But (as far as I'm aware) neither the murdered schoolteacher nor Macron fit that description." ...*

- **Guevara [reference to communist leader Che Guevara and a super-active poster in this thread]:** *"Macron is a piece of shit, as is anyone seeking to adopt far-right talking points for political gain." ...*

- **Jesus H.:** *"He's not really calling for the disfigurement of Macron – it kinds of gets lost in translation. ... Either way, fuck that noise. France has a shaky record with Islamophobia, but the shit they've had to deal with the past few years from extremism is just too much. Khabib's tone is completely uncalled for."* - **Ramon Suarez:** *"Not a fan of Khabib's remarks at all as they constitute stochastic terrorism. I'm also not a fan of the fucking hypocrisy from Macron and Western secularists on this issue at a time when Muslims in their countries and around the world have been marginalized and terrorized by bigoted Western governments. The "desperate and despised people" of today are Muslims, considering the number of Muslim countries racked by death and destruction in Libya, Iraq, Gaza, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Yemen. Meanwhile, Muslims watch as their own religion is defamed and attacked by "free speech" advocates who pass off sadism as satire. ...*

*You, like most Islamophobes in the West, will never own up to your hypocrisy and continue to sit in moral condensation against an entire religious group who have suffered indignities and crimes on a scale a thousand times greater than have ever been perpetrated on U.S. soil."*

- **uwcb:** *"We know that Muslims do not appreciate/approve images of Muhammad, so anyone who does understands how offensive it is. I don't think murder is the answer for the offense, but*

some ultra devout Muslims do. It's ignorant to intentionally provoke a community, then complain when some of them respond angrily."

- **bluehorses:** "Fuck anybody who uses incidents like this to justify Islamophobia, racism, nativism, etc but come on with this nonsense."

- **Koqebwix:** "As someone who watches French TV (and read French papers), I just want to add: Islamophobia is off the charts in France. Politicians and journalists are constantly spitting on muslims, it is so awful that it's just no more watchable. And on top of that, there is Charlie Hebdo, who puts some Der Stürmer level caricatures on their front pages. I'm not off course defending the terrorists, just saying that the media and politicians attacks are on all muslims, not only on the rare extremists. There is a real islamophobia problem in France, and it is not at all only from the far-right politicians."

- **mistah.jackson.3:** "Nice point [to Koqebwix]."

- **Alejandro Castellanos-Jaramillo:** "Islamophobia is bad under any circumstance and should be shunned."

#### **COUNTERS:**

- **Hutchy:** "this is literally the most baffling situation I've been exposed to on here... khabib is generally humble by and large... and otherwise absolutely horrendously evil, and people tie themselves in knots to make excuses for him. Its bizarre. ... Khabib incites terrible violence amongst his 2.7 million followers on social media against a SITTING FRENCH PRESIDENT and.....cricket. cricket. ...

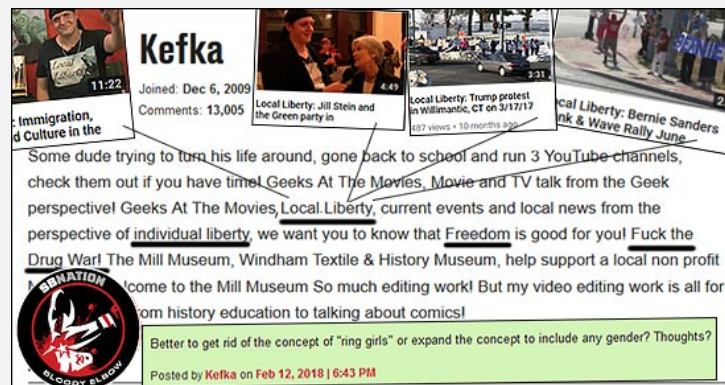
Go look at [Khabib's recent] retirement thread. Pick any one of the 10 retirement articles on the site, im not going to waste my time pulling quotes because I'd be here all day, there are 100s, 90% AT LEAST are unabashedly, slobbering blow job level positive. The worst thing khabib has done.....(reads comment again to make sure my eyes arent deceiving me)....wha.....what am I even reading right now? Bro, khabib publicly and openly and slavishly supports a dictator who is slaughtering gays by the 1000s [Ramzan Kadyrov]."

- **RRage:** "It amazes me, that there are many posts here which do not condemn these stupid views and try to deflect the conversation to a different problem. As expected, there are more than a few people here who start giving very informative lectures and links about why it happened and how politicians are using it for their gain, without ever condemning the

*actual barbaric deed and the sheer stupidity, irresponsibility and insensitivity of Khabib's comments."*

*- olddocross: "Khabib's comment does relate Macron. That he doesn't even find time to condemn the horrific murder of the teacher and instead incites violence against Macron is what is abhorrent.""*

- While suspected earlier in light of an extremely irrational and ardent "debunker" of anything ethnic crime and IQ-related on the MMAFighting.com comment section, on February 12, 2018 a guy named "Kefka", in light of an article that the UFC ownership wants to introduce ring card boys, replied *"Better to get rid of the concept of "ring girls" or expand the concept to include any gender? Thoughts?"*. A quick check revealed this person to be an anti-Trump and pro-Bernie Sanders and Jill Stein political operative on YouTube. See below:



## Washington Monthly

- Bimonthly nonprofit magazine on U.S. politics, founded in 1969. It was a monthly publication from 1969 to 2008.
- The magazine's founder is Charles Peters, who started the magazine in 1969 and continued to write the "Tilting at Windmills" column in each issue until 2014. Paul Glastris, former speechwriter for Bill Clinton, has been Washington Monthly's editor-in-chief since 2001.
- Financing:
  - 2003, [Schumann Center](#), Form 990-PF (grants): *"WM Corporation, Washington, DC. A grant of \$30,000 to support investigative journalism at The Washington Monthly; a grant of \$100,000 to support investigative reporting on the 2004 political campaigns at The Washington Monthly."*
  - [Carnegie Corporation](#): [carnegie.org/grants/grants-database/](#) (accessed: April 1, 2016): *"2011. Washington Monthly Corporation. \$50,000. ... 2010. Washington Monthly Corporation. \$50,000."*
  - [Ford Foundation](#) grants to Washington Monthly (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants since



2006): "

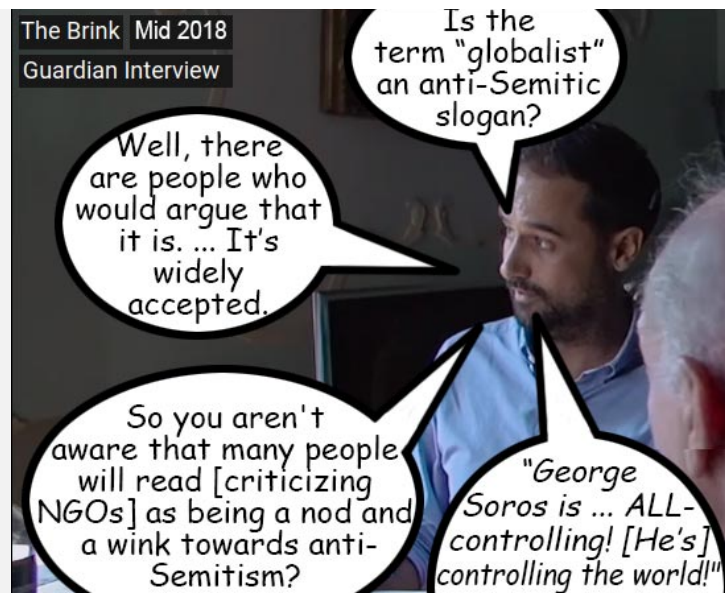
- 109898. *The Washington Monthly*. 2008. \$100,000.

- 123058. *The Washington Monthly*. 2014. \$100,000."

- April 22, 2002, New York Times, 'MEDIA; New Life for Washington Watchdog': *"A lone investor has swooped in and taken control of a struggling political magazine and left investors like Warren E. Buffett with nothing to show for years of patient support... The magazine, The Washington Monthly, has teetered on the edge of financial ruin since it began in 1969, but the retirement last year of its editor and founder, Charles Peters, made the situation more acute. Paul Glastris, a former speechwriter for [Bill Clinton](#), took over as editor in chief and has now found a white knight in Markos Kounalakis [Georgetown, Stanford, Wilson Center, Hoover Institution, World Affairs Council of Northern California affiliations, as well as chair of the "liberal CIA"-financed Internews], a journalist, businessman and author who has already donated "in excess of \$200,000" to stabilize the magazine. Mr. Kounalakis will serve as president and publisher and said that he would contribute \$500,000 to \$1 million the next few years while searching for other supporters. The original shareholders had bought into Mr. Peters's vision of a monthly magazine that covered government, and not just politics. Over the last year, most cheerfully mailed back their stock certificates, which had value as mementos and little else -- so the magazine could be reorganized into a nonprofit. "I've no problem turning The Monthly into a nonprofit (in fact, I think we already are a 'nonprofit')," Mr. Buffett wrote to the magazine. "Despite the lack of financial return, society has already gotten its money's worth out of the publication." The Washington Monthly produced influential articles and an abundance of journalistic talent in spite of its small circulation and even smaller budget. But many of the longtime acolytes of the magazine feared that when Mr. Peters retired, The Monthly would wither away. James Fallows of The Atlantic Monthly and Nicholas Lemann of The New Yorker, two members of the unofficial alumni club, spent 18 months trying to line up financing for the magazine. After their efforts proved to be fruitless, Mr. Glastris took up the cause of endowing the magazine, which has a circulation of 16,500."*

## Online news: International

The Guardian and The Observer



- ▶ Newspaper founded in 1821 as The Manchester Guardian, changing its name to The Guardian in 1959. It has two sister newspapers, The Observer and The Guardian Weekly, all part of the Guardian Media Group, owned by the Scott Trust.
- ▶ The Manchester Guardian Weekly - which seems to have held onto its name for much longer - all of a sudden was regularly ran into by this author when investigating ultraconservative groups as the [American Security Council](#) or [Le Cercle Pinay](#), or anything that could be seen as "neo-colonialism":
  - ▶ November 4, 1984, Manchester Guardian Weekly, 'Fighters for human rights face torture'.
  - ▶ March 3, 1985, Manchester Guardian Weekly, 'Moon in Latin America: building the bases of a world organisation'.
  - ▶ May 18, 1986, Manchester Guardian Weekly, 'Violent language of the right recalls pre-war days'.
  - ▶ February 9, 1997, Manchester Guardian Weekly, 'SAS linked to Pretoria rogue force'.
  - ▶ September 20, 1998, Manchester Guardian Weekly, 'Criminal Networks Enjoy Official Protection'.
- ▶ **The Guardian** is by far the most liberal and progressive paper of Great Britain. Apart from major support for Third World immigration, it is always at the forefront when it comes to taking the position of a Julian Assagne of [Wikileaks](#) or [NSA whistleblowers](#) as Edward Snowden and William Binney.
- ▶ Numerous of the foundation-backed U.S. media outlets listed here reproduce or link to content of The Guardian.
- ▶ Despite large notices on the website basically begging readers to take a paid subscription, The Guardian quietly receives millions from the traditional CIA/"liberal CIA" Rockefeller Foundation and hundreds of thousands from the Ford Foundation:
  - ▶ 2006-2019 [Ford Foundation](#) grants list: *"Guardian News and Media Ltd.: ... 2013: \$100,000. ... 2014: \$100,000. ...*

2017: \$300,000. ... 2018: \$300,000..."

► **Rockefeller Foundation:**

► [rockefellerfoundation.org/2015-grantees/](https://rockefellerfoundation.org/2015-grantees/) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"Grantee: Guardian News and Media Ltd. Location: London, United Kingdom. Amount: \$151,850. Purpose: In support of generating and sharing insights from diverse, global journalists and editors around social and environmental themes..."*

► [rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/guardian-news-and-media-ltd/](https://rockefellerfoundation.org/our-work/grants/guardian-news-and-media-ltd/) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"Guardian News and Media Ltd.: ... Grant: 2016 - **\$3,000,000**. ... Grant Term: 01/01/2017 - 12/31/2019. Grant Description: in continued support of [The Guardian's] Guardian Cities section to foster reader engagement and understanding of resilience as it affects poor and vulnerable communities in urban areas."*

► 2017, Form-990, Rockefeller Foundation, pp. 55, 130: *"Guardian News and Media Ltd. ... \$30,317 [and] **\$2,000,000**."*

► 2018, Form-990, Rockefeller Foundation, p. 51: *"Guardian News and Media Ltd. ... **\$1,000,000**."*

► Both The Guardian and Guardian Foundation (Guardian.org) are also backed by George Soros' Open Society Foundations:

► [theguardian.org/about-us-2/](https://theguardian.org/about-us-2/) (accessed: July 14, 2021): *"OUR FUNDING:*

*\$500,000 and above: [Packard Foundation](#) ... Schumann Media Center. Wyss Foundation.*

*\$250,000-\$499,999: Energy Foundation. Conrad N. Hilton Foundation. [Park Foundation](#). [Skoll Foundation](#) ... [Open Society Foundations](#).*

*\$100,000-\$249,999: Craig Newmark Philanthropies. [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#).*

*\$10,000-\$99,999: Aga Khan Foundation... Kaiser Family Foundation ... [Tides Foundation](#).*

*\$5,000-\$9,999: Abby Rockefeller [eldest daughter of David Rockefeller]... \$1,000-\$4,999: Theodore Roosevelt IV...*

► [theguardian.com/info/ 2020/feb/05/about-this-content](https://theguardian.com/info/2020/feb/05/about-this-content) (accessed: July 14, 2021): *"This content is supported in part through philanthropic funding to theguardian.org from the Open Society Foundations, which works to build vibrant and inclusive democracies whose governments are accountable to their citizens."*

► As usual, The Guardian undermines conspiracy talk from the left:

► April 11, 2019 YouTube upload by 'Magnolia Pictures & Magnet Releasing', '[Steve Bannon's] The Brink -

Exclusive Clip - Guardian Interview' / 2019, Steve Bannon's 'The Brink' documentary, 59 minutes in (former Trump aide Steve Bannon interviewed by reporter Paul Lewis): "

*[BANNON:] Have you seen [my 2018] Trump @War? ... This is not a persuasion film. It's a piece of propaganda, right? I consider propaganda to be positive. ...*

*says, with respect to you, the permission to hate seems to be a really big part of what Steve Bannon offers to voters. Hate black people, hate hispanics, hate Muslims, hate, hate, hate! Hate is energizing for a lot of people. [LEWIS:] Is the term globalist an anti-semitic slogan?*

*[BANNON:] Absolutely not.*

*[LEWIS:] There are people who would argue that it is. \*Immediately moves on\* George Soros, I mean, that is widely accepted as an anti-Semitic trope; the suggestion that George Soros is somehow ALL-controlling. He's influencing - everybody knows... [BANNON:] I totally disagree with. [LEWIS:] It is not something to disagree with, because it is an anti-Semitic trope.*

*[BANNON:] No, just because you stated that doesn't mean it is true.*

*[LEWIS:] George Soros is controlling the world!*

*[BANNON:] I didn't say controlling the world. I say he's the financier backing the NGOs.*

*[LEWIS:] So you aren't aware that many people will read that as being a nod and a wink towards anti-Semitism?"*

► Increasingly crazy anti-West:

► January 9, 2020, The Guardian, 'Donald Trump's rant against Iran is the howl of a dying empire': *"All empires outstay their declared purpose, let alone their welcome. All end messily – the operative word is all – be they Roman, Napoleonic, British or Soviet. All are vanquished not by superior power, but by self-delusion and geography. The British empire had neither the right nor the need to invade far-flung parts of Asia and Africa. It was defeated by them. The US has claimed the right to intervene in theatres [around the world]...*

*Alien intervention in the internal affairs of sovereign states is immoral, specifically banned under chapter one of the UN charter. ...*

*Twenty years of western interventions in the Muslim world have rested on two falsehoods. One is that terrorism poses an existential threat to western democracies, grotesquely underrating their inherent stability. [This is actually true, but what about WMDs, such as being developed by Iran...]"*

► The Guardian, as progressive as it is, is extremely hostile and aggressive toward 9/11 "Truth" in particular, playing along the

game of attacking bogus [no-plane theories](#) while refusing to ask a few decent questions of its own about the extremely flawed NIST report on the [Twin Towers](#) and [WTC 7](#), or U.S., Saudi, Pakistani [establishment ties](#) to the hijackers. Example article:

- February 20, 2007, environmental and human rights activist George Monbiot for The Guardian, '9/11 fantasists pose a mortal danger to popular oppositional campaigns': *"These conspiracy idiots are a boon for Bush and Blair as they destroy the movements some of us have spent years building.*

*"You did this hit piece because your corporate masters instructed you to. You are a controlled asset of the new world order ... bought and paid for." ...*

*These are a few of the measured responses to my article, a fortnight ago, about the film Loose Change, which maintains that the United States government destroyed the World Trade Centre and the Pentagon. ...*

*To qualify as a true opponent of the Bush regime, you must also now believe that it is capable of magic. It could blast the Pentagon with a cruise missile while persuading hundreds of onlookers that they saw a plane. It could wire every floor of the twin towers with explosives without attracting attention and prime the charges (though planes had ploughed through the middle of the sequence) to drop each tower in a perfectly timed collapse. It could make Flight 93 disappear into thin air, and somehow ensure that the relatives of the passengers collaborated with the deception. It could recruit tens of thousands of conspirators to participate in these great crimes and induce them all to have kept their mouths shut, for ever. ...*

*Let me give you an example. The column I wrote about Loose Change two weeks ago generated 777 posts on the Guardian Comment is Free website, which is almost a record. Most of them were furious. The response from a producer of the film, published last week, attracted 467. On the same day the Guardian published my article about a genuine, demonstrable conspiracy: a spy network feeding confidential information from an arms control campaign to Britain's biggest weapons manufacturer, BAE Systems. It drew 60 responses. The members of the 9/11 cult weren't interested. ...*

*The 9/11 truthers remind me of nothing so much as the climate change deniers, cherry-picking their evidence, seizing any excuse for ignoring the arguments of their opponents. Witness the respondents to my Loose Change column who maintain that the magazine Popular Mechanics, which has ripped the demolition theories*

*apart, is a government front. They know this because one of its editors, Benjamin Chertoff, is the brother/nephew/first cousin of the US homeland security secretary Michael Chertoff. (They are, as far as Benjamin can discover, unrelated, but what does he know?)"*

- ▶ **The Observer**, owned by Rockefeller/Ford Foundation-funded Guardian Media Group, has a very liberal lineage. [Pilgrims Society](#) member David Astor (1912-2001), who came from a family of Anglo-American Pilgrims, built up the newspaper in post-World War II era and served as editor-in-chief for 27 years, from 1948 to 1975. As a friend of George Orwell, he warned people against big government and took a stance against the Apartheid. In 1975 he was forced to sell The Observer, but did this to David Rockefeller friend, [Sierra Club](#) and [Friends of the Earth](#) backer, [Harper's](#) magazine co-owner, and wealthy [1001 Club](#) member Robert O. Anderson. Astor also stayed as a trustee of The Observer. In 1993 The Observer was acquired by the Scott Trust that also controls The Guardian.
- ▶ October 8, 2008, The Guardian, 'Guardian owner the Scott Trust to be wound up after 72 years': *"The Scott Trust, the ultimate owner of the Guardian and the Observer, is being wound up after 72 years and its assets transferred to a new limited company. The trust, created in 1936 to protect the legacy of the longstanding editor and former owner of the Guardian, CP Scott, is being replaced by The Scott Trust Limited so that the independence of the Guardian is placed on a "very secure footing for the future", Scott Trust chair Dame Liz Forgan said."*
- ▶ Scott Trust chairs and directors:
  - ▶ **Alan Rusbridger (chair 2003-2016):** Son of G.H. Rusbridger, the Director of Education of Northern Rhodesia back in the 1950s. Cambridge-educated. Reporter for The Guardian 1979-1986. Royal reporter following the Prince and Princess of Wales around Melbourne, Australia in November 1986. TV critic of The Observer 1986-1987. Washington editor of the short-lived London Daily News in 1987. Editor The Guardian 1988-1994, features editor 1994-1995, editor-in-chief January 1995-Summer 2015. Chairman Scott Trust Limited 2016-. Governor Ditchley Foundation, a kind of Bilderberg for the UK, US and Canada that is closely tied to the Pilgrims Society. Principal of Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, a constituent college of Oxford University 2015-.
  - ▶ **Will Hutton (director and shareholder):** Economics correspondent for BBC Newsnight 1983-1988. Then editor-in-chief at The Observer and director of the The Guardian. Bilderberg 1997. Allied with the Labour Party. CEO Industrial Society / Work Foundation 2000-2008.

Principal of Hertford College, Oxford, 2011-. Governor of London School of Economics. European Advisory Board of Princeton University Press.

- ▶ **Liz Forgan (chair 2003-2016):** Oxford-educated. Teheran Journal as Arts Editor 1967-1968. Editor at the Hampstead and Highgate Express 1969-1974, London's Evening Standard 1974-1978, The Guardian's women's pages 1978-1982. Founding commissioning editor and then director of programmes at the UK's Channel 4 1981-1990. BBC Network Radio 1993-1996. Promoted to Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 1998. Chair of the National Heritage Memorial Fund and Heritage Lottery Fund 2001-2008. Chair of the Scott Trust since 2003. Trustee of the Royal Anniversary Trust, the Media Trust and of the Phoenix Trust. Chair of the Churches Conservation Trust. Former board Member of the British Film Institute.
- ▶ **Hugo Young (chair 1989-2003):** Journalist The Sunday Times 1965-1967, chief leader writer 1967-1977, political editor 1973-1984. Left the paper after several conflicts with the more right-wing Rupert Murdoch, who had taken over the paper. Political columnist The Guardian 1984-2003. Very pro-EU integration and liberal. Wrote critical bios about Margaret Thatcher and Tony Blair.

### Inter Press Service (IPS)

- ▶ Latin America and then Third World-focused global(ist) news agency founded in Rome in 1964 by Italian-Argentinean journalist Roberto Savio and Argentine political scientist Pablo Piacentini:

- ▶ [ips.org/institutional/history.shtml](http://ips.org/institutional/history.shtml) (accessed: July 4, 2004): *"Inter Press Service (IPS) was set up in 1964 as a non-profit international cooperative of journalists. Its founders were Roberto Savio, an Italian freelance journalist, and Pablo Piacentini, an Argentinean political scientist who was then a student in Rome. Savio served as Director General of IPS until 1999 and is now the agency's president emeritus. Piacentini served the organisation in various capacities and is currently editor of the columnist service.*

*In its early days, the primary objective of IPS was to fill the information gap between Europe and Latin America after the political turbulence following the Cuban [communist] revolution of 1959. The agency's network grew steadily and expanded to include Asia and Africa. The objectives broadened – to cover news from the "Third World", give a voice to the voiceless, promote*



*information on development issues, and help create a better balance and flow of international news."*

- ▶ Savio is/was always part of the anti-"U.S. imperialism", anti-"populism", pro-Third World immigration, pro-environment Socialist International movement:

- ▶ July 25, 2019, Roberto Savio for the "liberal CIA" [Consortiumnews.com](https://consortiumnews.com), 'The Precipitous Barbarisation of Our Times': *"In order to win election, U.S. President Donald Trump has made racism one of his banner issues and, in a country of immigrants, this has given him an increase of 5 points in opinion polls."*

- ▶ March 1, 2004, tni.org (New Left Transnational Institute), 'Rendezvous at Mumbai': *"The World Social Forum... In 2003, Porto Alegre brought together for the first time the two chief streams of global opposition - the movement against neoliberalism and that against US imperialism. This confluence was sustained and further consolidated in Mumbai. The Indian organizers gave some shape to the otherwise amorphous character of the 'politics of the open space' by holding a series of WSF-sponsored events focusing on five broad themes - imperialist globalization; patriarchy, gender and sexuality; militarism and peace; casteism and racism; religious fanaticism and sectarian violence. ...*

*14 Keynote speakers: ... Roberto Savio (Inter Press Service, Italy) ... Militarism: Jeremy Corbyn (UK) ... Imperialist globalization: Immanuel Wallerstein, Samir Amin, Walden Bello, Arundhati Roy, Abdul Amir Al-Rekaby (Iraqi National Democratic Coalition); Gender: Nawal El Saadawi (Egypt), Saher Saba (Revolutionary Association of Women of Afghanistan), Brinda Karat (CPM); ... Mustafa Barghouti (Palestinian National Initiative); Religious fundamentalism: Shirin Ebadi (Iran), Pervez Hoodbhoy (Pakistan), Tanika Sarkar (India); Casteism: Blanca Chancoso (Ecuador), Ram Dayal Munda (Jharkhand tribals' leader), Gopal Guru (Dalit intellectual)... Luis Ayala (Chile), Alejandro Bendana (Nicaragua)..."*

- ▶ Savio also founded other-news.info in 2008:

- ▶ [other-news.info/about-roberto-savio/](https://other-news.info/about-roberto-savio/) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"OtherNews Founder and President Roberto Savio – the compass of OtherNews – is a journalist, communication expert, political commentator, activist for social and climate justice and advocate of global governance."*

- ▶ By 1996 IPS had permanent offices and correspondents in 41 countries, with its subscriber base consisting of over 600 print media, around 80 news agencies, 65 broadcast media and over 500 NGOs.



- ▶ Major historic "liberal CIA", United Nations, World Bank, EU, and West-European state-funding:
  - ▶ [ips.org/Partners.htm](http://ips.org/Partners.htm) (accessed: October 11, 1997; same list kept on site until at least 2002): *"Each year, IPS hosts a meeting of representatives of its key donor agencies - the IPS Support Group... IPS revenue stems from sales of its news products and carrier services and the external financial support for its communication programmes and projects. In recent years, support has come from: ...*  
*Mott Foundation ... Ford Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation ... W. Alton Jones Foundation ...*  
*World Bank ... UNICEF ... UNIFEM ... UNDP ... UNESCO ... UNEP ... UNDCP ... UNFPA ... Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations - FAO ... World Health Organisation (WHO) ...*  
*European Commission ... Canadian International Development Agency ... Comité Contre le Faim et pour le Développement - CCFD (France)... Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs ... Federatie Nederlandse Vakbeweging - FNV (Netherlands). Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs. ... Carl-Duisberg-Gesellschaft ... Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung - FES (Germany). German Ministry for Economic Development and Cooperation - BMZ. Group of 77 - G77. ... International Organisation for Migration - IOM. International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. ... Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Netherlands Organization for International Development. Cooperation - Novib. ... Norwegian Agency for Development - NORAD. Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. ... Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency - SIDA."*
  - ▶ [ips.org/institutional/get-to-know-us-2/our-financing/our-supporters/](http://ips.org/institutional/get-to-know-us-2/our-financing/our-supporters/) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"In 2010 IPS received support from: ... Mott Foundation ... Rockefeller Foundation ... Open Society Institute...*  
*Governments of Brazil, Finland, Flanders (Belgium), Germany, Netherlands, Italy, United Kingdom, Norway, Spain, Uruguay; Oxfam Novib; SADC (from GTZ, DFID and AusAid); UNDP; UNEP; World Bank; IFAD; UNFPA; UNIFEM; UNICEF; UNESCO; CBD; GEF; UN Millennium Campaign; DFID; the European Commission..."*
  - ▶ [ips.org/institutional/get-to-know-us-2/our-financing/our-supporters/](http://ips.org/institutional/get-to-know-us-2/our-financing/our-supporters/) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"In 2009 IPS received support from: ... Rockefeller Foundation, Sasakawa Peace Foundation, Japan Foundation... Open Society Institute...*  
*In 2008: [Various] Governments ... as well as from Oxfam-Novib...*  
*In 2007: ... Southern African Trust, C.S. Mott Foundation,*

Rockefeller Foundation, Sasakawa Peace Foundation, ... Oxfam-Novib ... UNDP, UNFPA, UNEP, IFAD, UNIFEM / UN Democracy Fund, IOM, UNESCO, World Bank, UNICEF...

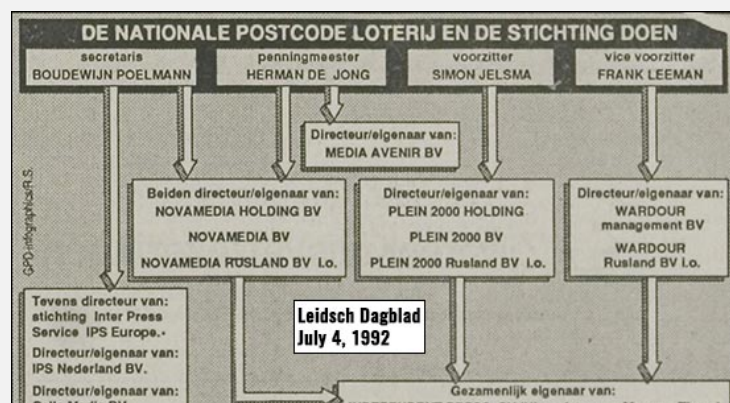
In 2006: ... Mott Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation ... Oxfam-Novib Netherlands, Oxfam Asia ... Sasakawa Peace Foundation... European Commission [and UN]...

In 2005: ... Mott Foundation, Ford Foundation-IDASA, Japan Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation ... Oxfam-Novib Netherlands, Open Society, Oxfam East Asia ... European Commission [and UN]..."

► IPS trustees:

- ips.org/institutional/our-global-structure/international-board-of-trustees/ (accessed: June 20, 2009):  
*"International Board of Trustees: ...*  
*- Roberto Savio (Chairman, President Emeritus). ...*  
*- Kofi A. Annan [trustee 2008-2011]... seventh Secretary-General of the United Nations, served from 1997 to 2006...*  
*- Martti Ahtisaari [Finland president 1994-2000 who held the] chairmanship of the Brussels-based [International Crisis Group](#) [of George Soros]. He is a member of the joint advisers' group for the [Open Society Institute](#) and the [Soros Foundations](#). ...*  
*- Boutros Boutros-Ghali ... The former U.N. Secretary-General (1992-1996)...*  
*- Mario Soares [who was] president of Portugal from 1986 to 1996 ..."*
- ips.org/institutional/our-global-structure/international-board-of-trustees/ (accessed: January 11, 2017):  
*"International Board of Trustees: ...*  
*- Roberto Savio (Chairman, President Emeritus). ...*  
*- Martti Ahtisaari ...*  
*- Mr. Toshiki Kaifu [who was the] 76th and 77th Prime Minister of Japan from August 1989 to November 1991. ...*  
*- Mario Soares..."*

## Moscow Times



- ▶ Founded in 1992 under the umbrella of the Dutch-controlled Independent Media, which also started publishing the St. Petersburg Times and the Russian editions of Men's Health, Popular Mechanics, FHM, Playboy, etc.
  - ▶ Committee for Tourism of Moscow City Government: [arininav.ru/welmos/data/tmt.htm](http://arininav.ru/welmos/data/tmt.htm) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"The Moscow Times, Independent Press" [sic: Media] flagship edition, was launched in March 1992 as a twice-weekly, and relaunched in October 1992 as a daily. The foreign community and Russian business people depend a great deal on the newspaper for up-to-the-minute news on Moscow, Russia and the world. ... The Moscow Times first went online in 1997 at [www.moscowtimes.ru](http://www.moscowtimes.ru) and relaunched in the spring of 2000 at [www.themoscowtimes.com](http://www.themoscowtimes.com)."*
- ▶ The founder of Independent Media is Dutch journalist Derk Schauer, who actually asked his friends Boudewijn Poelmann, Simon Jelsma and Frank Leeman for help in providing start-up funds for Independent Media. Poelmann was still Dutch and European director of the United Nations- and "liberal CIA"-funded Third World press agency [Inter Press Service](#), with Poelmann, Leeman and Jelsma having founded the (huge) Postcode Lottery, specifically designed to finance global "liberal CIA" causes involving the UN, the environment, Third World immigration, AIDS, etc.
  - ▶ July 4, 1992, Leidsch Dagblad, 'Een Kerstboom van BV's: Opzienbarend netwerk binnen Nationale Postcode Loterij': *"The erection of [his] Nova Media Russia Poelmann explains by pointing to the wishes of friend Derk Schauer to set up the newspaper Moscow Times. "Derk I have known for 20 years. He needed support for his magazine and he called me." Together with the Russian [companies] of Jelsema and Leeman investments were made in Independent Press, which publishes Sauers' newspaper. This week the Postcode Lottery announced to put almost 180,000 guilders into a Russian training program for journalists. Does that money go to Independent Press? Poelmann: "It is impossible that the Doen Foundation [of the Postcode Lottery] will ever invest a penny in that company. At that point there would be a conflict of interest [but I guess not when we are financing parallel programs]. Even I get that.""*
- ▶ This background immediately makes it clear why [themoscowtimes.com](http://themoscowtimes.com) prominently refers to the Carnegie Moscow Center as one of its partners:
  - ▶ [themoscowtimes.com](http://themoscowtimes.com) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"Media Partners: ... Carnegie Moscow Center [created by the "liberal CIA" [Carnegie Corporation](#)]..."*

► [themoscowtimes.com/page/moscow-times](https://themoscowtimes.com/page/moscow-times) (accessed: December 29, 2019): "

- *Daniel Kozin is a Russian-American editor and journalist who started his career at The St. Petersburg Times. He ... worked as a fixer on television documentaries for [PBS NewsHour](#) and ABC Australia.*

- *Evan Gershkovich, Reporter: ... Prior to joining The Moscow Times in 2017, he was a news assistant for The New York Times. ...*

- *Samantha Berkhead, News Editor: ... [Hails] from western New York. She previously worked as managing editor of the International Journalists' Network in Washington, D.C. [which receives huge "liberal CIA" foundation and corporate backing through the International Center for Journalists]."*

► In 2005 Independent Media was bought by Bilderberg and accused CIA-company Sanoma (also has owned the Dutch [Nu.nl](#) for a long time now), forming Sanoma Independent Media.

► September 20, 2012, Moscow Times, 'Sauer Denies Leaving Sanoma Independent Media': *"Independent Media was bought by Finnish-based international media holding Sanoma in 2005. Sanoma Independent Media is the parent company of The Moscow Times and about 50 other publications."*

## NL: Bellingcat.com

► *"Fact-checking and open-source intelligence (OSINT)"* research site founded by the British blogger Eliot Higgins in 2014. Basically a "grassroots" investigative group, much in line with what Anonymous is to political hacking.

► [bellingcat.com/about/](https://bellingcat.com/about/) (accessed: December 31, 2019): *"Bellingcat is an independent international collective of researchers, investigators and citizen journalists using open source and social media investigation to probe a variety of subjects – from Mexican drug lords and crimes against humanity, to tracking the use of chemical weapons and conflicts worldwide. With staff and contributors in more than 20 countries..."*

► Frequently brought up in the media in relation to the Syrian-ISIS war, the 2016 coup in Turkey, and the 2014 downing of Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 (MH17) over Ukraine at the apparent instigation of Russia. Very much focused on anti-fascism (antifa) as well.

► [bellingcat.com](https://bellingcat.com) (accessed: December 31, 2019): *"Transnational White Terror ... Massive White Supremacist Message Board Leak..."*

► Partners:

- ▶ October 15, 2015, Eliot Higgins in partnership with the super-elite [Atlantic Council](#), 'Hiding in plain sight: Putin's war in Ukraine'.
- ▶ Funding:
  - ▶ [bellingcat.com/about/](#) (accessed: December 31, 2019): *"Bellingcat currently receives grants from the following organisations: Porticus. Adessium [Foundation]. The [super-elite] [National Endowment for Democracy](#). [Soros'] [Open Society Foundations](#). The [Dutch Postcode Lottery](#)."*
  - ▶ [postcodeloterij.nl/goede-doelen/bijzondere-projecten/bellingcat](#) (accessed: December 31, 2019): *"2019: ... € 500.000..."* These funds were used to open a new office in the Netherlands.

### NL: The Investigative Desk / InvestigativeDesk.com

- ▶ Alternative research desk that sometimes manages to reach the Dutch national news on controversial affairs:
  - ▶ July 27, 2021, Nu, 'Oppositie hekelt verkeerde informatie van Rutte over gesprekken met Rusland': *"Several opposition parties think that prime minister Mark Rutte insufficiently informed Congress about talks of high Dutch civil servants with Russia. That's what investigative platforms Follow the Money and The Investigative Desk wrote on Tuesday."*
- ▶ Funding:
  - ▶ 2020 Director's Report, The Investigative Desk, p. 8: *"The Dutch Journalism Fund granted us a subsidy of €85,132. The [Open Society Foundations](#) approved our request for an extension of the term of its contribution, so that we had €36,000 at our disposal."*

### NL: Follow the Money

- ▶ Alternative research desk that sometimes manages to reach the Dutch national news on controversial affairs:
  - ▶ July 27, 2021, Nu, 'Oppositie hekelt verkeerde informatie van Rutte over gesprekken met Rusland': *"Several opposition parties think that prime minister Mark Rutte insufficiently informed Congress about talks of high Dutch civil servants with Russia. That's what investigative platforms Follow the Money and The Investigative Desk wrote on Tuesday."*
- ▶ Mission and subscribers:
  - ▶ [nl.linkedin.com/in/ersmit](#): *"I'm co-founder and editor in chief of Follow the Money (FTM.nl), the first independent*

*(for profit) platform for investigative journalism in the Netherlands. We strive for transparency and justice in a world that is ever more controlled by economic motives. Follow the Money has more than 25.000 paying subscribers (February 2021)."*

► Funding:

- [ftm.nl/over-ftm](http://ftm.nl/over-ftm) (accessed: July 27, 2021): *"Follow the Money is een besloten vennootschap (B.V.) die voor 100 procent eigendom is van FTM Media B.V. Boven deze vennootschap staat de stichting administratiekantoor FTM Media waarvan Arne van der Wal en Eric Smit de bestuurders zijn. Arne van der Wal [started at business magazine Quote in 1993; put together the 1997 Quote 500 list of the richest Dutchmen and next founded QuoteNet.nl] en Eric Smit zijn in het bezit van meer dan 73 procent van de certificaten. Dick Haan, Erik Hallers en Jan Bart Fanoy zijn de andere drie aandeelhouders. ...*

*Follow the Money kwam tot stand met de hulp van het Stimuleringsfonds voor de Pers dat in 2009 besloot ons te steunen met een subsidie van 180 duizend euro. Daarnaast investeerden Van der Wal en Smit eigen middelen en heel veel zweet. Follow the Money ontving ook financiële steun van stichting Muckraker [founded by Eric Smith and chaired by Arne van der Wal], die onder andere werd gefinancierd door de Adessium Foundation. In 2016 ontvingen we bijdragen van het Stimuleringsfonds voor de Journalistiek en SIDN Fonds voor het ontwikkelen van manieren om onze lezers meer bij onze journalistiek te betrekken. In 2017 kregen we voor de verdere ontwikkeling van dat project een subsidie van [Google Digital News Initiative](#). In 2018 begonnen we met de ontwikkeling van FTM Lokaal waarmee we ons op lokale en regionale onderzoeksjournalistiek richten. Eind 2018 ontvingen we een subsidie van het Stimuleringsfonds voor de Journalistiek voor een samenwerkingsproject met de Regionale Publieke Omroepen (RPO)."*

- 2015 annual report, Stichting Muckraker, p. 3: *"In 2015 zijn de voor Follow The Money-geormerkte donaties afkomstig van de volgende donoren: -Adessium [funds in tandem with Soros' OSF: Digital Freedom Fund, European Digital Rights, Wemos, etc.]: €50.000,-- -Stichting Hartwig [chaired by Rob Defares, the Dutch founder of IMC Financial Markets - which owned Bank Oyens & Van Eeghen, IEX.nl and Goldman Sachs' Designated Market Maker (DMM) on the NYSE - worth €1.6 bln in 2019]: €150,000,--"*
- 2016 annual report, Stichting Muckraker, p. 3: *"In 2017 is voor Follow The Money een bedrag van Euro 62,500 aan geormerkte donaties ontvangen."*
- 2017 annual report, Stichting Muckraker, p. 3: *"In 2016*



*zijn de voor Follow The Money-geormerkte donaties afkomstig van de volgende donoren: -Adessium: €75.000,-. -Private donoren: €14,000,-."*

## NL: De Groene Amsterdammer

- ▶ Weekly political magazine founded in 1877.
- ▶ Martin van Amerongen was editor-in-chief 1984-1997, 1999-2002 (d. 2002). Alongside two [Bilderberg](#) veterans and Bilderberg steering committee member Pieter Korteweg, in 1996 Van Amerongen founded the [Republican Society](#), which, among other things, invited just about the only widely-published authors and activists to have written articles and supported works critical of Bilderberg and Prince Bernhard. These include Gerard Aalders, who exposed Prince Bernhard's 1001 Club six months after this author published the first photocopies of membership lists of this group in 2009-2010 (Aalders gave credit); and 1988-2004 Groene Amsterdammer editor Rene Zwaap, who in 2005 co-founded the magazine De Republikein (editor-in-chief 2015-).
- ▶ In 1996, after setting up the Republic Society, Prince Bernhard invited Van Amerongen and maintained a relationship with him until Van Amerongen died in 2002, 2.5 years before Bernhard. From an interview with Van Amerongen we learn he was quite the heel licker of Bernhard:
  - ▶ Dec. 7, 2004, Nederland 3 / VPRO documentary, Andere Tijden, 'Prins Bernhard', 20:00 (the Bilderberg interview was first broadcasted on January 6, 2004). *"It was in early 1996 that I received a phone call. And that was Bernhard, who said, "Mr. Amerongen, I would like to talk to you some time." ... Now, I was received in the so called Elephant Room. ... He said, "What is it exactly that you have against me?" ... I said, "We really have nothing against you [except] the Lockheed Affair, but you are an old man and you have paid dearly for it; and the stuff with the NSDAP, the Reiter-SS [from 1933 on], but yeah, you were low German nobility. It would have been a small miracle if you could have, and would have wanted to, withdraw from that. And that was a type of language that that man is not used to. ... We talked about the past, and in particular the Lockheed Affair. ... "The core of the Lockheed affair is that no one ever contradicted me. ... Because nobody ever contradicted me, I lost the boundaries between good and evil." ... Yes [we talked about the Nazi stuff, but] not so very deep. More about [his brother] Aschwin. "That was a real Nazi. I was more like a bureau Nazi, but he was a real Nazi."*

*[Aschwin] later also became communist and then a liberal. ... About his own role, which barely has been there, he was a young man in his mid 20s, we really didn't talk about. ... Contact we always maintained. Once a year we came together with a little club of "bad people" to drink a glass of wine on the evening of his birthday. All "bad people": landlords and such individuals. That always was really fun. And he phoned me up regularly, preferably on Sunday morning."*

- ▶ De Groene Amsterdammer is "anti-racist" and gives attention to the usual "conservative CIA" opposition. A few random examples:
  - ▶ [groene.nl/lijsten/racisme-in-nederland](https://groene.nl/lijsten/racisme-in-nederland) (accessed: May 11, 2024; 2018-2019 anti-racism series).
  - ▶ Dec. 4, 2014, De Groene, 'Het feest van impliciet racisme': *"Als we vinden dat iedereen gelijke kansen moet hebben, dan is het vanzelfsprekend dat we iets aan Zwarte Piet moeten doen, om niet te zeggen laf om het te laten."*
  - ▶ June 21, 2021, De Groene, 'Advies aan de (in)formateur (8): Amade M'charek; 'Wees inclusief in je strijd'; Als niet-zwarte vrouw van kleur vertolkt wetenschaps-antropoloog Amade M'charek een milde stem in de antiracistische beweging.'
  - ▶ 12 augustus 2020, De Groene, 'Witte maskers': *"We worden ons steeds meer bewust van de racistische (onder)stromen in de overheersing door Nederland van Indonesië. Hoe lichten we het dikke tapijt op waaronder het koloniale racisme voortwoekert? Want het is nooit ver weg."*
  - ▶ Feb. 7, 2024, De Groene, 'Rechts-extremistische vechtclubs: Witte strijders werven': *"De uit de Verenigde Staten overgewaaid Active Clubs hebben ook in Nederland en België voet aan de grond gekregen."*
- ▶ Funding:
  - ▶ Claims exist that Prins Bernhard Cultuurfonds and VSBfonds [from VSB Bank] funded the digital archiving of old issues of De Groene Amsterdammer. While this makes sense, a proper source has not yet been seen by this author.

## NL: Project Authentieke Journalistiek

- ▶ Research journalism-focused group set up in 2014.
- ▶ Funding:
  - ▶ [authentiekejournalistiek.org/financiele-verantwoording/](https://authentiekejournalistiek.org/financiele-verantwoording/):  
"- **2014**: ... *TNI [Transnational Institute, the Dutch branch of the heavily "liberal CIA"-funded Institute for Policy Studies]*: ... € 1.792,00. ... *SOMO [The Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations]*: ... € 1.792,00. ...  
- **2015**: ... *[Soros-allied] Stichting Democratie en Media*: ...



€ 25.000,00. ... *TNI* [various jobs] ... *SOMO* [various jobs] ... [\[Google-funded\] Follow the Money](#) [first three jobs] ...

- **2016:** ... *Stichting Democratie en Media* ... *De Correspondent* ... *De Groene Amsterdammer* ... *Follow the Money* ... *TNI* ... *FNV Zorg en Welzijn* ... *Technische Universiteit Delft* ...

- **2017:** ... *Milieudefensie* [7 jobs of about €20,000 total] ... *TNI* [2 jobs] ... *SOMO* [4 jobs] ... *Down to Earth Magazine* [6 jobs] ...

- **2018:** ... *Stichting Democratie en Media:* ... € 26.760,00. ... *Muckrakers:* ... € 3.500,00. ... *SOMO* [11 jobs] ... *Milieudefensie* [2 jobs] ... *TNI* [2 jobs]... *Follow the Money* [5 jobs] ... *Follow the Money* ... *Fonds Bijzondere Journalistieke Projecten* ... *Down to Earth Magazine*...

- **2019:** ... *Lobbywatch:* ... €10.000 [and again] €10.000 [for] *Shell Papers*. ... *Follow the Money* ... *Transnational Institute (TNI)* ... *Federatie Nederlandse Vakbeweging* ... *Fonds Bijzondere Journalistieke Projecten* ...

- **2020:** ... *De Volkskrant:* ... €6.000,00. ... *Follow the Money:* ... €10.000,00. ... *TNI:* ... €5.016,00 [and] €5.000,00. ... *Oxfam Novib:* ... €3.000,00. ... *Stichting Democratie en Media* ... 9-12-2020: *Pointer: ZZZ Coronasceptici. Onderzoek John Birch Society Onderzoek, complotdenkers en coronasceptici. Journalistieke organisatie.* €1.000,00. ...

- **2021:** ... *Follow The Money:* ... € 17.352,50. ... *Stichting Democratie en Media:* ... € 56.690,00. ... *Oxfam Novib:* ... € 7.600,00. ... *Transnational Institute (TNI):* ... € 4.000,00 ... [4 more *Follow The Money* assignments]. [*Prince Bernhard Fund-funded*] *De Groene Amsterdammer:* € 3.500,00 ... *Transnational Institute (TNI):* € 2.000,00... *Donateurs:* ... € 443,12."

- **2022:** ... *Stichting Democratie en Media:* ... € 40.000,00. ... *Follow The Money:* ... € 11.250,00 [and] € 10.000,00 [and] € 5.300,00 [and] € 4.000,00 [and] € 5.900,00 [and] € 1.300,00 [and] € 1.297,00 [and] € 6.692,40. ... *Fonds Bijzondere Journalistieke Projecten:* ... € 3.300,00. ... *Donateurs:* € 379,53. ... "

## NL: Nu.nl

Holland's largest news outlet from the 2000s, and into the 2020s. Despite being very "lefty" globalist, Nu.nl is a for profit business that does not receive typical "liberal CIA" foundation funding. Therefore it had to be [moved to a separate page](#).

## Online encyclopedias and "fact checking" sites

## AfricaCheck.org

- ▶ Member of the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) of the big foundation-funded [Poynter Institute](#).
- ▶ [africacheck.org/about-us/](#) (accessed: July 4, 2017): *"Africa Check is a non-profit organisation set up in 2012 to promote accuracy in public debate and the media in Africa. ... In addition to South Africa and Senegal, we work in countries including Nigeria, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Our work is published and discussed in media across the continent."*
- ▶ [africacheck.org/about-us/how-we-are-funded/](#) (accessed: July 4, 2017): *"Our initial funding came from a news innovation contest organised by Vienna-based International Press Institute (IPI) – with funding from Google. ... Sources of income: 2016. ... [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#): ... 13%. ... [OSF-SA \[Open Society Foundation South Africa\]](#): ... 12%. ... [OSIWA \[Open Society Institute West Africa\]](#) ... 1%. ... [Omidyar Network](#): ... 24%. ... [\[Mark\] Shuttleworth Foundation](#): ... 26%. ... Total income: £472,847. ... For democracy to function, public figures need to be held to account for what they say. The claims they make need to be checked, openly and impartially."*

## Agencia Lupa (Brazil)

- ▶ Agencia Lupa is a 2016-founded fact-checking group from Brazil and part of Joao Moreira Salles' Piaui magazine. Salles is the son of Walter Moreira Salles, Brazil's former foreign minister, ambassador to the U.S., and a major banker with deep Rockefeller and Ford ties.
- ▶ Member of the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) of the big foundation-funded [Poynter Institute](#).
- ▶ August 24, 2016, Poynter Institute, 'How are Latin American fact-checkers paying for their work?': *"External fact-checking is growing in general and in Latin America in particular, but paying for this work remains a key concern. ... Lupa, from Brazil [was] founded as a private company in February 2016, it is primarily funded by Joao Moreira Salles, the founder of Piaui magazine."*
- ▶ March 13, 2013, Exame.com, 'Niobio faz dos Moreira Salles a família mais rica do Brasil': *"In his Rio de Janeiro mansion, Walther [Moreira Salles] received guests like Henry Ford II, Nelson Rockefeller, Aristotle Onassis and Mick Jagger."*

## Chequeado.com (Argentina)

- ▶ Argentina-based fact checking website set up in 2010.

- ▶ Member of the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) of the big foundation-funded [Poynter Institute](#).
- ▶ [chequeado.com/financiamiento/](#) (accessed: July 4, 2017): *"To guarantee our sustainability and independence, we have ... a balance between different sources of financing: ... Business: ... Barrick, BAT, ... Coca Cola, Danone, ... ExxonMobile, Facebook ... HSBC, ... Manpower ... Microsoft ... Shell... International cooperation: ... - Scholarship for journalists from Brazil to Chequeado financed by the [Ford Foundation](#) via Global Learning Programs. ... - Hivos... - [National Endowment for Democracy \(NED\)](#) for the Justiciapedia project. - [Omidyar Network](#) for the project Regional innovation in fact-checking and data journalism. ... [Open Society Foundations \(OSF\)](#) for the Aceleracion de Chequeado project. ... - United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF) for the journalistic research project with citizen participation..."*

### Center for Media and Democracy: Sourcewatch, etc.

- ▶ What must be said first: VERY GOOD source on NGOs, their leadership and their financing. ISGP has quite a bit to thank Sourcewatch for and to an extent the work of ISGP and Sourcewatch overlap. In the past wondered why the admin of Sourcewatch was a little hostile to ISGP and now we know why, of course: big interests are behind Sourcewatch. Still, even anno 2016 it's probably the best source on individual NGOs out there. As they say in the hood: Respect!
- ▶ Sourcewatch was set up with a grant from the [Threshold Foundation](#), controlled by the Tides Foundation. 2005 annual report, Threshold Foundation, p. 8: *"Center for Media and Democracy: The only US organization dedicated to investigating and exposing deceptive public relations and propaganda campaigns and strengthening public interest reporting. The Center works to strengthen democracy by promoting media that are "of, by and for the people" and by removing the barriers and distortions of the modern information environment that stem from government - or corporate-dominated media. \$15,000 - Disinfopedia Project [now Sourcewatch]. Madison, WI - [www.prwatch.org](#)."* Another \$1,000 was provided in 2006.
- ▶ [prwatch.org/finances.html](#) (accessed: November 1, 2015): *"About Us. The Center for Media and Democracy (CMD) is a non-profit investigative reporting group. Our reporting and analysis focus on exposing corporate spin and government propaganda. We publish PRWatch, SourceWatch, and BanksterUSA. Our newest investigative site is ALECexposed.org. ... We connected the dots between*

corporations, politicians, and terrible bills pouring out of the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) – such as union-busting "Right to Work" (for less) bills being pushed by ALEC and its billionaire bankrollers like the Kochs, and the "Shoot to Kill" law cited in Florida to protect Trayvon Martin's killer -- crafted by the NRA and pushed out nationally by ALEC. ... The following foundations have provided at least one grant of \$5,000 or more to support the work of the Center for Media and Democracy since its inception in 1993. Foundations in **bold** are current funders. ... [Ford Foundation](#) ... [Open Society Institute](#) ... Rockefeller Associates. **Rockefeller Family Foundation** ... **Schumann Center for Media and Democracy** ... [Threshold Foundation](#). [Tides Foundation](#). ... [Turner Foundation](#)."

- ▶ [parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261](http://parkfoundation.org/search.php?coding=261) ([Park Foundation](#) media grants; accessed: January 14, 2016): "
  - 2014: Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Investigative work on fracking and its impact on water \$50,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org) ...
  - 2013: Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Fracking and our Environment \$50,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org) ...
  - 2012: ... Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Fracking and Water Project \$50,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org). - Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Corporate Research Project on the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) \$5,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org) ...
  - 2011: ... Center for Media and Democracy Madison, WI Corporate Research Project to investigate the influence of corporations on bills introduced in legislatures across the country \$31,000 [www.prwatch.org](http://www.prwatch.org)..."

### ColombiaCheck.com

- ▶ Member of the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) of the big foundation-funded [Poynter Institute](#).
- ▶ August 24, 2016, Poynter Institute, 'How are Latin American fact-checkers paying for their work?': "*Colombiacheck, a nonprofit project of the investigative reporters' collective Consejo de Redacción, receives the totality of its current funding from the [Open Society Foundations](#).*"

### ConservativeTransparency.org

- ▶ ConservativeTransparency.org basically is the liberal version of ActivistFacts.com, a conservative website that tracks liberal NGO financing. Similar to ActivistFacts.com, it appears to be a continuous work in progress (or is by design a little

limited in the information it provides).

- ▶ Among the foundations ConservativeTransparency.org has checked donations from are: Allegheny Foundation, Bradley Foundation, Shelby Cullom Davis Foundation, Donner Foundation, DonorsTrust, Earhart Foundation, Gilder Foundation, Hickory Foundation, Koch Charitable Foundation, John Templeton Foundation, Smith Richardson Foundation, Sarah Scaife Foundation, Diana Davis Spencer Foundation, etc.
- ▶ ConservativeTransparency.org is ultimately a project of the David Brock-headed and George Soros-financed American Bridge 21st Century Foundation:
  - ▶ [conservativetransparency.org/about/](http://conservativetransparency.org/about/) (January 17, 2017): *"For more information, please contact us: [info@bridgeproject.com](mailto:info@bridgeproject.com)"*
  - ▶ [bridgeproject.com/about/](http://bridgeproject.com/about/) (January 17, 2017): *"Bridge Project is dedicated to opposing the conservative movement's extreme ideology and exposing its dishonest tactics. ... © 2011-2017 American Bridge 21st Century Foundation. All Rights Reserved."*
  - ▶ [opensecrets.org/pacs/pacgave2.php?cmte=C00492140](http://opensecrets.org/pacs/pacgave2.php?cmte=C00492140) (January 17, 2017): *"- Soros, George ... 03/17/16, \$1,000,000. - Earhart, Anne G. ... 07/17/15 \$500,000 ... - Lauder, Henry ... 08/08/16, \$500,000."*
- ▶ April 7, 2016, NBC News, 'Inside Hillary Clinton's Big Money Cavalry': *"American Bridge 21st Century Foundation has given its sister super PAC nearly \$3 million so far this election cycle... It also does its own political work, sponsoring an effort it dubs "Bridge Project" that is "dedicated to opposing the conservative movement's extreme ideology and exposing its dishonest tactics." It also tracks the political activities of major Republican political organizations and individual donors... It reported net assets of \$572,546 as of June 30, 2014, with Brock, as chairman and treasurer, drawing a salary of \$80,097 for an average of 10 hours of work per week, the filing indicates."*

## Data & Society Research Institute

- ▶ Organized from late 2013 and founded in 2014. So unknown that even anno 2020 it doesn't have a Wikipedia. Has decribed itself as a *"think/do tank in New York City dedicated to addressing social, technical, ethical, legal, and policy issues that are emerging because of data-centric technological development."*
- ▶ Noticed for the first time by ISGP after top Dutch globalist Marietje Schaake referenced a paper of Data & Society in a

propaganda article of hers on the Dutch extreme left (yet mainstream) news site joop.bnnvara.nl:

- ▶ April 29, 2019, Marietje Schaake for Joop.bnnvara.nl (extreme left), 'Haat aanwakkeren is geen korfbal' ('Fueling hate is no korfbal'). The article very specifically counters recently featured anti-Semitic online trolls. It does so by citing the Soros-funded research site [Bellingcat](#) and linking to a report entitled 'Media Manipulation and Disinformation Online'. Written by the Soros-funded Data & Society Research Institute, the report touches on [4chan](#), [Wikileaks](#), [Pizzagate](#), etc. in the usually manipulative ways. It's controlled opposition to the extreme.).
- ▶ 2017, Alice Marwick (D&S advisor) and Becca Lewis (Ph.d. Oxford Internet Institute, part of the Berkman Center network, etc.) for the Data & Society Research Institute, 'Media Manipulation and Disinformation Online' ([PDF](#)). The paper starts out by writing: *"Using social media, [8chan/pol/, through Wikileaks leaks] spread allegations that George Soros was funding liberal protesters to disrupt Trump rallies [goes on with Pizzagate-related claims]. Despite the spurious, even fantastical nature of such allegations, they spread through social media to far-right blogs..."* Isn't it fascinating how the paper's funder and publisher, Data & Society, was created and funded by Soros and allies?

▶ Financing:

- ▶ [datasociety.net/about/#what\\_we\\_do](#) (accessed: January 26, 2020): *"Its creation was supported by a generous gift from Microsoft. ... Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. [American Civil Liberties Union \[ACLU\]](#). [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#). ... [Craig Newmark Philanthropies](#). ... [Ford Foundation](#). [Hewlett Foundation](#). ... [MacArthur Foundation](#). ... [Knight Foundation](#). ... [National Science Foundation](#). ... [New York Times](#). ... [NYC Media Lab](#). [Open Society Foundations](#). ... [Ethics and Governance of AI Initiative](#). ... [UN Global Pulse](#). [UNICEF](#). [Union Square Ventures](#) [key [DuckDuckGo](#) investor]. ... [Kellogg Foundation](#). ...*  
*Statement of Independence: ... We do not accept funding that would affect our ability to pursue work free of external interference..."*

## FactCheck.org

- ▶ New left fact-checking website within Alexa's top 25,000 ranking throughout 2016. It is operated through the Annenberg Public Policy Center, which in turn is financed by the

[Annenberg Foundation](#), named after the late [Pilgrims Society](#) and superclass member Walter Annenberg.

- Foundation website:  
[annenberg.org/initiatives/education/annenberg-public-policy-center](http://annenberg.org/initiatives/education/annenberg-public-policy-center) (accessed: January 15, 2017): *"When the Annenberg Public Policy Center (APPC) was established in 1993, its founders, Ambassadors Walter and Leonore Annenberg, sought to increase the impact of the scholarship produced at Penn's Annenberg School for Communication, the Policy Center's home. ... The Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania has developed such award-winning initiatives as FactCheck.org..."*

### FactCheckEU.org

- [factcheckeu.org/static/about](http://factcheckeu.org/static/about) (accessed: July 4, 2017): *"FactcheckEU is Europe's first crowd-checking platform. It is born out of the belief that as the EU becomes ever more integrated [read: instable due to Third World immigration] it becomes increasingly essential to develop watchdogs capable of monitoring the political debate. ... The project is run by NumbersEU, a non-profit organisation set up by Pagella Politica (Italy's top fact-checking website). It is currently made possible thanks to a grant from the [Open Society Initiative for Europe](#). We are also grateful to Stiftung Mercator [allied with Soros, who gave a speech here] for its past support..."*

### Citizen Radio

- Set up in August 2008 by the couple Jamie Kilstein and Allison Kilkenny, at that point comedians living in their car. In the early months Citizen Radio was known as Drunken Politics.
- Citizen Radio has been operating as a for profit which apparently has been solely financing itself through individual memberships. Ties to foundation-financed media outlets are overwhelming, however, and greatly helped push their readership to Citizen Radio. It also brought countless elite social justice advocates to their show.
- Guests of Citizen Radio have included [Noam Chomsky](#), Howard Zinn, Rachel Maddow of NBC's The Rachel Maddow Show, Jeremy Scahill of [The Nation](#), Peter Singer, Amy Goodman of [Democracy Now!](#), Markos Moulitsas of [Daily Kos](#), [Ralph Nader](#), Joe Rogan, Chris Hedges, [Edward Snowden](#) contact Glenn Greenwald, and [Greg Palast](#).
  - [wearecitizenradio.com/about/](http://wearecitizenradio.com/about/) (accessed: August 10, 2011): *"[Jamie Kilstein and Allison Kilkenny have created*



*an important political radio show that balances humor and unreported news. At a time when media conglomerates dominate the airwaves, independent media like Citizen Radio is vital to national discourse."* – NOAM CHOMSKY"

► Allison Kilkenny:

- [inthesetimes.com/community/profile/111958](https://inthesetimes.com/community/profile/111958) (accessed: December 9, 2017): *"Allison Kilkenny is an [In These Times](#) Staff Writer and the co-host of ... Citizen Radio. ... Kilkenny's work has appeared on/in [The Nation](#), [NPR](#), [Huffington Post](#), [The American Prospect](#), the [Los Angeles Times](#) ... [Truthout](#), [Alternet](#), [Counterpunch](#)... CBS's [Political Hotsheet](#), [Newsweek](#), [Al Gore's Current TV](#), [The Atlantic Wire](#), [Salon's Glenn Greenwald and Raw Story](#) have all referenced her writing.*

*She has made numerous media and stage appearances on [Democracy Now!](#), [Pacifica Radio](#), BBC Radio, GRITtv with [Laura Flanders](#), SIRIUS radio, and [Fairness & Accuracy In Reporting's CounterSpin](#), and she co-hosted a sold-out run of Citizen Radio Live! at the legendary Upright Citizen's Brigade Theatre in New York."*

► Jamie Kilstein:

- [wearecitizenradio.com/about/](http://wearecitizenradio.com/about/) (accessed: August 10, 2011): *"Jamie has also been seen on Conan, Showtime's The Greenroom, CNN's The Joy Behar Show, The Paramount Comedy Channel in the UK The Comedy Channel in Australia and Showtime Comedy in the Middle East. He was featured on Think MTV, Comedy Centrals Weekly Evil and is a regular on SIRIUS Satellite Radio, and a contributor to The Onion newspaper."*
- October 8, 2012 Youtube Jamie Kilstein, 'Jamie Kilstein - Conan O'Brien Show talking War Torture Drones', words of Conan O'Brien: *"My next guest is co-host of the political podcast, Citizen Radio, and a talented comedian who is making his television debut with us right here tonight, the very funny Jamie Kilstein."*
- October 21, 2014 Russia Today Breaking The Set (with [Abby Martin](#)), 'Taking Down the Daily Show with Allison Kilkenny and Jamie Kilstein'. Both were attacking Blackwater, protecting The Nation's Jeremy Scahill, and talking about feminism (Kilstein was the "male feminist"), veganism (Kilstein is a vegan), the importance of global warming, etc.
- [wonkette.com/tag/jamie-kilstein](http://wonkette.com/tag/jamie-kilstein) (five articles from 2012 to 2016; super-extreme "new-left" outfit. For example: December 8, 2017, Wonkette, 'Trump Officially Less Popular Than Ass Lice, And We Have Women To Thank!').

- ▶ March 6, 2017, Jezebel, 'Progressive Performer Jamie Kilstein Ousted From Citizen Radio After 'Disturbing Allegations'.
- ▶ October 31, 2017 YouTube upload by JRE Clips, 'Joe Rogan asks Jamie Kilstein About Being a Reformed SJW': "*[Jamie:] [Social justice] is why we became friends: you saw a gay rights thing I did on Twitter. [Joe:] Yeah... I was on Citizen's Radio when you guys first started. [Jamie:] Yeah, you were on our poster. ... The show started as a comedy show. It was called Drunken Politics before it was called Citizen Radio. I think we changed it maybe around Occupy Wall Street [early 2009 is when DrunkenPolitics.com disappeared]...*"
- ▶ October 30, 2017, JRE #1031, Joe Rogan on his Joe Rogan Experience: "..."

### Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting (FAIR) and its Extra! magazine

- ▶ [fair.org/about-fair/](http://fair.org/about-fair/) (accessed: April 4, 2017): "*FAIR [has been providing] criticism of media bias and censorship since 1986. ... FAIR publishes Extra!, the newsletter of media criticism, and produces the weekly radio program CounterSpin, the show that brings you the news behind the headlines. In addition, FAIR's thriving email list distributes articles and Action Alerts to our international network of over 50,000 activists.*"
- ▶ Founding editor-in-chief of Extra! magazine was Martin A. Lee, a guest lecturer at universities as Harvard and Columbia who wrote the 1985 book *Acid Dreams: The CIA, LSD, and the Sixties Rebellion*, an authoritative history of the psychedelics movement surrounding Timothy Leary and Ram Dass.
- ▶ Jim Naureckas has edited Extra! magazine since 1990. Naureckas is a Stanford graduate who in the late 1980s covered Iran Contra for the "liberal CIA"-financed [In These Times](#) magazine. He also served as managing editor of the newsletter of the Ford Foundation-founded Council on Hemispheric Affairs, an off-shoot of the "liberal CIA"-financed [Institute for Policy Studies](#).
  - ▶ [fair.org/author /jim/page/64/](http://fair.org/author/jim/page/64/) (accessed: June 19, 2022): "*Jim Naureckas is the editor of FAIR.org, and has edited FAIR's print publication Extra! since 1990. He is the co-author of The Way Things Aren't: Rush Limbaugh's Reign of Error, and co-editor of The FAIR Reader. He was an investigative reporter for In These Times and managing editor of the Washington Report on the Hemisphere. Born in Libertyville, Illinois, he has a poli sci degree from Stanford. Since 1997 he has been married to Janine Jackson, FAIR's program director.*"

► [inthesetimes.com/authors/jim-naureckas](https://www.inthesetimes.com/authors/jim-naureckas) (accessed: June 19, 2022): *"James Weinstein gave him his first job in journalism, when he hired him in 1987 to write about the Iran/Contra Scandal for In These Times."*

► Nov. 21, 1999, Washington Post, 'Rage Before Beauty': *"[RATM's Tom] Morello is the son of an activist Italian American mother and a Kenyan diplomat who fought in the Mau Mau independence movement. They divorced a year after he was born. When mother and son moved to the Chicago suburbs, Morello became one of the first African American residents in a stifling hamlet called Libertyville. ...*

*"Tom grew up as a black kid in a white suburb and as a left-wing kid in a Republican suburb," says Jim Naureckas, a classmate at Libertyville High School who is now editor of Extra, a bimonthly published by Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting, one of several media watchdog groups supported by Rage. "His mother always made sure that Tom would not be a stranger to the black half of his culture, that he would be aware of the struggles for civil rights and so on," Naureckas says. "The lessons that she gave Tom from an early age made it clear there was a world beyond Libertyville."*

► Encyclopedia of U.S. - Latin American Relations': p. 222: *"Council on Hemispheric Affairs (COHA): ... organization promoting human rights and democratic institutions throughout Latin America. It emerged in 1975 in the aftermath of the 1973 Pinochet coup in Chile that overthrew ... Allende. As a result of the later revelations of White House complicity in that coup, as well as in Washington's subsequent interventionist backing of military-led juntas elsewhere in Latin America, a group of U.S.-area specialists ... gathered at the Ford Foundation in 1975 to create COHA.*

*The participants at its founding meeting--most of whom later became COHA's original trustees--included Professor Kalman Silvert of the Ford Foundation and New York University; Covey Oliver, former assistant secretary of state for Latin America under President Johnson; Professor Larry Birns of the New School and New York University; Rabbi Morton Rosenthal of B'nai B'rith; Thomas Quigley of the U.S. Catholic Conference; and Ernest Chanes, a prominent New York City civic leader. ... COHA's credibility was enhanced by a string of illustrious chairpersons, including its second chair, Chuck A. Perlik, the president of The Newspaper Guild, whose organization represented tens of thousands of U.S. and Canadian journalists."*

► Financing of FAIR (which it keeps hidden rather well):

- ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants to Fair.org (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants 2006-2016): *"Fairness & Accuracy in Reporting Inc. 2009: \$150,000 ... 2007: \$100,000. ... 2011: \$200,000."*
- ▶ [discoverthenetwork.org/groupprofile.asp?grpid=7092](http://discoverthenetwork.org/groupprofile.asp?grpid=7092) (accessed: June 13, 2006): *"From 1998 through 2005, the Ford Foundation made grants to FAIR totaling at least \$450,000. It gave another \$200,000 to Laura Flanders, the founder of the "Women's Desk" at FAIR who also served as a producer-host on Working Assets Radio. Flanders is the older sister of the Clinton administration speechwriter Stephanie Flanders and is the niece of neo-Marxist [CounterPunch](#) Editor Alexander Cockburn."*
- ▶ 2007, Bob Feldman for the peer-reviewed journal Critical Sociology, 'Left Media & Left Think Tanks: Foundation-Managed Protest?' ([PDF](#)), p. 432: *"Table 2. Foundation Grants to Extra!/Fairness & Accuracy In Reporting (FAIR), 1990 to 1995. ... [Rockefeller Family Foundation](#): \$20,000 in 1991. Foundation for Deep Ecology: \$15,000 in 1992. ... [MacArthur Foundation](#): \$300,000 between 1992 and 1995. ... [Schumann Foundation](#): \$150,000 in 1995."*

## Global Disinformation Index

- ▶ Founded in 2018.
- ▶ Funders:
  - ▶ [disinformationindex.org/about/](http://disinformationindex.org/about/) (accessed: Feb. 10, 2023): *"Funders: Argosy Foundation. Catena Foundation. [The UK's] Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office [already in 2019]. Luminate [already in 2019]. National Endowment for Democracy. Craig Newmark Philanthropies. [Knight Foundation](#) [already in 2019]. [Open Society Foundations](#). Bohemian Foundation. Reset [of the [Omidyar Network](#)]. Disinfo Cloud: In Partnership with the Global Engagement Center [of the U.S. State Department]. Select Partners: ... Twitch..."*
  - ▶ [disinformationindex.org/about/](http://disinformationindex.org/about/) (accessed: Dec. 6, 2023): *"[All the same as above, except the NED, but added was:] Funded by the European Union. ... Auswärtiges Amt [German foreign office]."*
- ▶ Controversy:
  - ▶ Feb. 13, 2023, Breitbart, 'Microsoft Suspends Foreign Disinformation 'Experts' That Blacklist Conservative Media': *"After Breitbart News, the Washington Examiner, and the Daily Caller News Foundation highlighted how a*

Microsoft-owned ad network, Xandr, employed foreign think tank Global Disinformation Index's (GDI) media blacklist, otherwise known as the "Dynamic Exclusion List," Microsoft said it has stopped using its blacklist, pending review. ... 39 prominent conservative media outlets including Breitbart News, the Blaze, the Washington Times, Judicial Watch, MRC.TV, RealClearPolitics, the Daily Wire, and the Examiner were flagged as "false/misleading."

- ▶ February 21, 2023, Washington Times, 'State Dept.-backed group drops 'disinformation' index targeting conservative outlets': *"The National Endowment for Democracy, a private foundation created by Congress whose annual funding is part of the State Department budget, said it will no longer provide grants to the index after pushback from the right, including congressional Republicans.*

*"Recently, we became aware that one of our grantees, the Global Disinformation Index (GDI), was engaged in an initiative, funded by a different donor, that focused on specific U.S. media outlets," the NED said Tuesday in a statement to The Washington Times.*

*"We recognize the important work GDI has done with NED support in other countries to help preserve the integrity of the information space and counter authoritarian influence," said the statement. "However, given our commitment to avoid the perception that NED is engaged in any work domestically, directly or indirectly, we will no longer provide financial support to GDI."*

- ▶ People:

- ▶ [disinformationindex.org/about/](https://disinformationindex.org/about/) (accessed: Oct. 20, 2019; three persons at the time, but was expanded later):  
*"Advisory Panel: Anne Applebaum ... Peter Pomerantsev..."*

### **FollowTheMoney.org**

- ▶ As prominently revealed in the top-left corner of the website anno 2017, FollowTheMoney.org is a project of the (establishment-financed) National Institute on Money in State Politics (NIMSP). Website slogan at the top: *"The nation's only free, nonpartisan, verifiable archive of contributions to political campaigns in all 50 states."*
- ▶ Annual Report 2009, National Institute on Money in State Politics (NIMSP): *"The Institute is primarily supported by national foundations that focus on strengthening state democratic practices and accountability in government. Our*

*heartfelt gratitude goes to these foundations whose grant awards made our work possible in the 2009 fiscal year: July 1, 2008–June 30, 2009: Carnegie Corporation ... Energy Foundation. Ford Foundation. Foundation to Promote Open Society. JEHT Foundation [tanked through major investments with Bernie Madoff in January 2009]. ... MacArthur Foundation. Open Society Institute. The Pew Charitable Trusts. Rockefeller Brothers Fund."*

- ▶ Greg Palast's sister, Geri Palast, has been a member of the board of NIMSP. Both are deeply tied to liberal CIA groups and the Mossad.

### **Loonwatch.com (suspected)**

- ▶ The most aggressive, condescending and ridiculous site crusading against "Islamophobia". Founded in 2009, it makes zero mention of its founders or funders and even anno 2017 no one appears to be interested in finding out these facts. However, the anti-"Islamophobia" agenda is completely in line with the liberal establishment agenda, not to mention countries as Iran who will use Muslims to create jihadist fifth-columns in western countries.
- ▶ Loonwatch.com's byline is *"the mooslims! they're heeere!"*, a perfect example of its condescending, ridiculing, trolling manner of attacking critics of Muslim society and Muslim immigration.
- ▶ Nathan Lean is an important contributor to Loonwatch.com and reportedly one of the groups founders. In 2015 Lean was appointed to the advisory board of Measuring Anti Muslim Attacks (TellMAMA: *"Standing Against Prejudice & Bigotry"*), which equally controversially appointed Nafeez Ahmed). Lean also is editor in chief of Aslan Media, which reportedly is linked to enemy jihadist state Iran:
  - ▶ March 13, 2013, Robert Spencer for JihadWatch.com, 'EXPOSED: Aslan Media Editor-In-Chief Nathan Lean is "Garibaldi" of hate site Loonwatch': *"Islamic supremacist Reza Aslan, who is one of the most prominent, popular and respected Muslim spokesmen on the scene, ... has recently been unmasked as a Board member of a front group for Iran's bloody Islamic regime [National Iranian American Council]. Aslan employs ... Nathan Lean... Lean gets space in the Los Angeles Times and New York Daily News... Garibaldi interviewed Aslan for Loonwatch. ... Nathan Lean, psychotic stalker and hate-filled traitor to America."*
- ▶ Upon Loonwatch.com's founding in 2009, it immediately listed the Dutch prime ministerial candidate (and neocon) Geert Wilders as one of its top enemies. The neocon Robert

Spencer of the Intelligence Summit, American Congress for Truth and Jihad Watch is another prime target. So are [Sam Harris](#) and other neocons as Daniel Pipes and Douglas Feith.

### Media Matters for America

- ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants to Media Matters for America (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants since 2006): "
  - 125034. *Media Matters for America. ... 2015. \$200,000.*
  - 120963. *Media Matters for America. ... 2013. \$82,000.*
  - 120414. *Media Matters for America. ... 2013. \$350,000.*
  - 121119. *Media Matters for America. ... 2014. \$750,000.*
  - 117714. *Media Matters for America. ... 2011. \$750,000.*
  - 119235. *Media Matters for America. ... 2013. \$500,000.*
  - 112869. *Media Matters for America. ... 2009. \$500,000.*
  - 114124. *Media Matters for America. ... 2010 \$466,466.*
  - 113834. *Media Matters for America. ... 2009 \$595,000.*Total: \$4,193,466.
- ▶ In recent years the [Tides Foundation](#) generally provides \$100,000 or more to Media Matters per year.
- ▶ 2008, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): "*Media Matters for America... \$100,000...*"
- ▶ September 22, 2008, Newsmax, 'Obama, Voter Fraud & Mortgage Meltdown': "*Soros and Media Matters founder David Brock are close friends who have collaborated on many projects.*"
- ▶ Harold K. Hochschild Foundation (in existence 1980-2012): [hkhfoundation.org/grantees](http://hkhfoundation.org/grantees) (accessed: November 30, 2011): "*Media Matters for America ...*"

### Political Research Associates

- ▶ Founded in 1981 as Midwest Research, Chicago. Changed its name to Political Research Associates in 1987. PRA studies the U.S. political right wing, as well as white supremacists, and paramilitary organizations. It has a full-time staff of six. The Executive Director is Tarso Luis Ramos. Dr. Jean V. Hardisty was the founder and director from 1981 to 2004. Chip Berlet was the group's senior analyst from 1981-2011. PRA publishes a journal, *The Public Eye*, quarterly.
- ▶ 2007, Bob Feldman, draft of an article that would later appear in the peer-reviewed journal *Critical Sociology*, 'Left Media & Left Think Tanks: Foundation-Managed Protest?' ([PDF](#)): "*Between 1993 and 1996, Political Research Associates/Public Eye magazine also received grants of \$80,000 from the Nathan Cummings Foundation, \$90,000 from the Public*



Welfare Foundation, \$69,2060 from the [Tides Foundation](#) and \$75,000 from the List Foundation..."

- ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants to PFAW (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants 2006-2015): "
    - 116524 Political Research Associates 2011 \$400,000.
    - 104198 Political Research Associates 2006 \$25,000.
    - 121161 Political Research Associates 2014 \$200,000.
    - 120360 Political Research Associates 2013 \$150,000.
    - 124595 Political Research Associates 2015 \$150,000."
- Total: \$925,000.

## PolitiFact.com

- ▶ PolitiFact.com is a big foundation-financed fact-checking website that has been operating since mid 2007. The website has been checking claims of leading politicians such as senators and congressmen for truth, giving each claim a ranking in its "Truth-O-Meter", the score ranging from "true" to "pants on fire".
- ▶ Throughout 2016 PolitiFact.com has had an Alexa ranking of 5000th to 8000th largest site in the world.
- ▶ [politifact.com/truth-o-meter/blog/2011/oct/06/who-pays-for-politifact/](#) (accessed: February 2, 2017): *"PolitiFact is an independent fact-checking website created by the Tampa Bay Times newspaper to sort out the truth in American politics. PolitiFact is funded primarily by the Tampa Bay Times and the ad revenues generated on PolitiFact's website. PolitiFact also relies on grants from nonpartisan organizations. PolitiFact currently receives funding from the Democracy Fund, The [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#), the [John S. and James L. Knight Foundation](#). In the past, PolitiFact has received funding from the [Ford Foundation](#), Craigslist Charitable Fund and the Collins Center for Public Policy. In January 2017, PolitiFact launched a membership campaign and began accepting reader contributions. ...*

*Control of the newspaper and its operations, however, lies with a single executive. Upon retirement, that leader picks a successor. [\[Nelson\] Poynter](#) himself picked Eugene Patterson, who picked Andy Barnes, who picked the Times ' current chairman and CEO, Paul Tash. We know of no other news organization in the country that runs like this.*

*Since 2010, the Times has partnered with other news organizations to operate PolitiFact sites in the states. Some of these partners are newspapers, such as the Atlanta Journal-Constitution and the Austin American-Statesman (both part of Cox Media Group); and the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel (part of Gannett Co. Inc.). We also partner with Scripps television stations based in Arizona, Colorado, Nevada and Ohio; with*

*Capital Public Radio based in Sacramento, Calif., and with Billy Penn, a Philadelphia-based mobile-first news website."*

- ▶ How ISGP got onto the trail of PolitiFact.com: January 25, 2017, PolitiFact.com, 'Pants on Fire claim that George Soros money went to Women's March protesters'. The article debunks the claim that thousands of protesters of the Women's March were directly paid by George Soros' Open Society Foundations, but eventually doesn't dig deeper into the claim that *"Asra Nomani [in] the Women in the World section of the New York Times website ... has now counted 65 organizations with some sort of tie, not necessarily financial, to Soros and his ... the Open Society Foundation. ...Nomani went through the list of 403 groups listed as partners of the march [Women's March]..."* Considering Soros' foundation is a close partner of the foundations that have helped finance PolitiFact.com, we have an extremely blatant conflict of interest here.

## Privacy International

- ▶ Leading organization within an international network of privacy protecting NGOs that challenge national corporations, banks and politicians with thier negative annual Big Brother Awards whenever they violate what these NGOs perceive to be intrusions on citizen's privacy.
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ [privacyinternational.org/type-resource/annual-reports-and-finances](https://privacyinternational.org/type-resource/annual-reports-and-finances) (accessed: November 7, 2019): *"We are very grateful to the following organisations for their support: Adessium Foundation, the Ford Foundation, the International Committee of the Red Cross, International Development Research Centre, Luminate, Oak Foundation, [Soros'] Open Society Foundations, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency. ... We do not accept funding from corporations..."*
- ▶ Dutch branch, Bits of Freedom:
  - ▶ On November 4, 2019 this author was listening to QMusic, one of the largest youth-oriented radio channels of the Netherlands, when its news program reported that Google, among other large corporations and important government officials, had been nominated for the "Big Brother Awards" of a group called "Bits of Freedom". Thinking it odd that such a totally random and seemingly kind of insignificant piece of information (because who says "Bits of Freedom" is trustworthy?) made it to the daily news, I checked the financing of this group. And from there also found out about its international branch.
  - ▶ [bitsoffreedom.nl/over-ons/](https://bitsoffreedom.nl/over-ons/): *"Bits of Freedom, founded in 1999, is THE movement that stands up for internet*

*freedom in the Netherlands. We focus on ... communication freedom and privacy."*

- ▶ [bitsoffreedom.nl/financiering/](https://bitsoffreedom.nl/financiering/) (accessed: November 7, 2019): *"Bits of Freedom is systematically financed by six funds: Adessium Foundation, SIDN, Internet4ALL, Stichting Democratie & Media, Ford Foundation and [Soros'] Open Society Foundations."*
- ▶ [bitsoffreedom.nl/bedrijfsdonateurs/](https://bitsoffreedom.nl/bedrijfsdonateurs/) ("corporate donors"; accessed: November 7, 2019): *"Mozilla..."*
- ▶ [bitsoffreedom.nl/mensen/hans-de-zwart/](https://bitsoffreedom.nl/mensen/hans-de-zwart/): "From October 2013 to September 2019 Hans de Zwart was [managing] directeur of ... Bits of Freedom. In the past he [worked at] Shell. ...

Hans is lid van de wetenschappelijke raad van advies van het Instituut voor Informatierecht (IViR) en van het onderzoeksproject Blockchain & Society. Van juni tot en met december 2019 vangt hij een ouderschapsverlof op in de Grantmaking Committee van het Digital Freedom Fund [[digitalfreedomfund.org/our-funders/](https://digitalfreedomfund.org/our-funders/) (accessed: November 7, 2019: [Soros'] Open Society Foundations ... Adessium Foundation ... Ford Foundation ... Democracy and Media Foundation...)]."

- ▶ [bitsoffreedom.nl/mensen/lotte-houwing/](https://bitsoffreedom.nl/mensen/lotte-houwing/) (accessed: November 7, 2019): *"Policy advisor and researcher at Bits of Freedom. She is especially focused on the relationship between State and civilian and the power proportions which come with that. Thus she works on the dossier on the secret services (the Sleepwet / the Dragnet Law) and the investigative powers of the police. ... At Rijksuniversiteit Groningen ... she worked within the research group Security Technology and e-Privacy (STeP). ... Lotte was an intern within the section strafrecht at [the antifa-oriented] Prakken d'Oliveira and supported [the antifa-oriented] arrestants of political action. She was dossier holder on the Intelligence- and Security Services (Wiv) at the Public Interest Litigation Project."*

## **Poynter Institute for Media Studies**

- ▶ Media institute focused on checking facts in the media. Founded in 1975 as the Modern Media Institute, but changed its name in 1984 to the Poynter Institute for Media Studies.
  - ▶ May 26, 2005, Poynter.org press release, 'Institute History: 30 Years Ago': *"On May 29, 1975, Nelson Poynter announced that the Modern Media Institute would be started and that Donald K. Baldwin, former editor of the St. Petersburg Times, would become the Institute's first director. (In 1984 the school changed its name from the Modern Media Institute to The Poynter Institute.)"*

- ▶ Funding:
  - ▶ 2006-2016 [Ford Foundation](#) grants list: *"Poynter Institute for Media Studies, Inc.: 2007: \$125,000. ... 2008: \$125,000 [and] \$200,000. ... 2009: \$750,000 [and] \$150,000. ... 2010: \$400,000. ... 2013: \$300,000."*
  - ▶ June 28, 2016, Poynter Institute, '[Knight Foundation](#) gives Poynter \$758,000 to remake online journalism education'.
- ▶ In September 2015, around the time of the rise of Donald Trump as a major presidential candidate, Poynter founded the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN).
  - ▶ June 29, 2017, poynter.org, '\$1.3 Million in Grants from Omidyar Network, Open Society Foundations Will Expand Poynter's International Fact-Checking Network': *"The funds (\$1 million from [Omidyar Network](#) and \$300,000 from OSF)... Poynter's IFCN has [previously] received funding from the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation, the [Duke University Reporters' Lab](#), the [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#), [Google](#), the [National Endowment for Democracy](#), the [Omidyar Network](#), the [Open Society Foundations](#) and the [Park Foundation](#)."*
  - ▶ poynter.org/fact-checkers-code-of-principles/ (accessed: July 4, 2017): *"Verified signatories: AP Fact Check... [Africa Check](#) ... [Agencia Lupa](#) ... [Chequeado](#) ... [Factcheck.org](#) ... [PolitiFact](#) ... [Snopes](#) [and more]"*

### Rightwingwatch.org

- ▶ rightwingwatch.org/ (subtitle) (accessed: November 22, 2015): *"A project of [People For the American Way](#) dedicated to monitoring and exposing the activities of the right-wing movement."*
- ▶ [PFAW](#) has received massive funding from the Rockefeller, Soros, Ford, Tides and other foundations.

### Rightweb-irc-online.org

- ▶ Project of [Institute for Policy Studies](#) (IPS), which has received massive funding of the Rockefeller, Soros, Ford, Tides and other foundations. Rightweb.irc-online.org (accessed: November 22, 2015): *"Institute for Policy Studies - [www.ips-dc.org](#). RightWeb Menu."*

### Snopes.com

- ▶ Fact-checking / "fake news" debunking website founded at a

very early stage - in 1994 - by David Mikkelson and his (ex-)wife Barbara to debunk conspiracies surrounding UFOs, the Moon landing, etc. 9/11 in 2001, followed by a huge (controlled) conspiracy culture, allowed the site to explode.

- ▶ Anno 2,000 Snopes.com has an extremely high Alex rank of 2,000 globally. Even a pilot for a TV show on Snopes.com was created, but never aired due to a lack of interest by major media corporations.
- ▶ Anno 2017 Snopes is a member of the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) of the [Poynter Institute](#), financed by major foundations as Ford, Gates, Omidyar, Open Society (Soros), Park, Knight, etc. All, or virtually all other members of the Poynter Institute receive financing from this network of foundations. It appears, however, that Snopes.com has been able to survive quite easily on ad revenue over the years, most likely because it was so early in the business and largely doing it exclusively.
- ▶ hilariously, "liberal CIA" fact check websites as [FactCheck.org](#) and the fact checking section of About.com (controlled by the same people of the [Diller-Von Furstenberg Family Foundation](#)) have "investigated" Snopes in the past and labeled it "free from bias". Mikkelson is a registered Republican and his (ex-)wife Barbara is a Canadian, so everything is okidoki.
- ▶ Additional facts:
  - ▶ The founder of Snopes.com, David Mikkelson, divorced his overweight wife and married Erin O'Bryn / Elyssa Young, a porn actor and escort, and employed her as a Snopes.com administrator. If that's what he wants to do, fine. Good for him. It kinda sounds like a liberal thing to do. Bizarrely, Mikkelson's new wife has ran for congress in Hawaii and was involved in anti-Bush activism.
    - ▶ December 21, 2016, Daily Mail, 'EXCLUSIVE: Facebook 'fact checker' who will arbitrate on 'fake news' is accused of defrauding website to pay for prostitutes': *"[Elyssa Young] ran for U.S. congress in Hawaii as a Libertarian in 2004, during which she handed out 'Re-Defeat Bush' cards and condoms stamped with the slogan 'Don't get screwed again'."* It appears the accusations of Snopes.com's liberal bias hold quite a bit of water.
  - ▶ His ex-wife started accusing Mikkelson of having used roughly \$100,000 of company money for personal expenses, including hookers as Erin O'Bryn / Elyssa Young.
    - ▶ December 21, 2016, Daily Mail, 'EXCLUSIVE: Facebook 'fact checker' who will arbitrate on 'fake news' is accused of defrauding website to pay for prostitutes - and its staff includes an escort-porn star and 'Vice Vixen domme': *"Now they are divorced -*

*with Barbara claiming in legal documents he embezzled \$98,000 of company money and spent it on 'himself and prostitutes'."*

- ▶ Leading fact-checker of Snopes.com is Kim LaCapria, who has been blogging as "Vice Vixen" and online expressed an interest in SM and sex toys. A quick check on her Twitter in late June 2017 reveals recent links to such articles as The Atlantic's *The Normalization of Conspiracy Culture: People who share dangerous ideas don't necessarily believe them*, which, of course, pretends Alex Jones and other conspiracy-inventing disinformers are not simply CIA assets.

- ▶ December 21, 2016, Daily Mail, 'EXCLUSIVE: Facebook 'fact checker' who will arbitrate on 'fake news' is accused of defrauding website to pay for prostitutes': *"One of the lead fact-checkers, Kim LaCapria, has also been a sex-and-fetish blogger who went by the pseudonym 'Vice Vixen.' ... She regularly provided intimate advice and reviewed sex toys, including a vibrating wand that 'drives boys mad.'"*

- ▶ It would be interesting to study what Snopes.com's criteria are for addressing any kind of story, as the vast majority of rumors I never heard of and are so outlandish nobody would have believed them anyway. The site almost seems as basic entertainment for those who have zero belief in any kind of conspiracies (and thus don't get annoyed by sites as Snopes).
- ▶ What is certain is that ISGP-studies.com, or any of its predecessor sites, has never been discussed on Snopes.com, even though one would think this site would be one of its many targets. After all, Snopes is always looking fresh meat/rumors, right?

### StopFake.org (Ukraine)

- ▶ StopFake was founded by students and faculty members of the Kyiv Mohyla School of Journalism in Ukraine in 2014 in response to the Russian occupation of Crimea.
- ▶ [opensocietyfoundations.org/explainers/understanding-ukraine](https://opensocietyfoundations.org/explainers/understanding-ukraine) (Soros' Open Society Foundations; accessed: July 4, 2017): *"We support independent journalism projects like StopFake.org, a fact-checking website that verifies news stories and refutes incorrect information and propaganda about events in Ukraine."*

- ▶ The Internet Archive and its WayBack Machine on Archive.org essentially has been making regular backups of the entire internet since 1996. ISGP has used it a lot over the years to dig up former board members of a variety of NGOs or to retrieve articles that have disappeared. It is an extremely effective tool. The only thing is how the Internet Archive can possibly be financially sustainable, especially with the archive backing up plenty of very large PDF documents going back to the late 1990s. The Internet Archive occasionally asks for a multi-million dollar sum in donations, but it is extremely hard to believe that individuals all over the world would donate this sum. Most people have never even heard of the archive.
- ▶ Turns out, one or more elite foundations have aided the Internet Archive in finances and logistics:
  - ▶ 2007 annual report, [Andrew W. Mellon Foundation](#), pp. 86-89: *"Internet Archive: ... 667,000. ... George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia: To support the development of a set of automatic archiving relationships between the Zotero Web research tool and the Internet Archive: 514,000. ... Federation of American Scientists: ... 302,000."*
  - ▶ May 24, 2013, [philanthropynewsdigest.org](#), 'Internet Archive Receives \$1 Million From [Knight Foundation](#)'.
  - ▶ [sunlightfoundation.com/about/grants/](#) (accessed: March 25, 2018): *"2012: ... Internet Archive [Archive.org]: \$5,000.00: To support the preparation of online instructions and other guidance assisting users of the Internet Archive's new TV news research service."*
- ▶ The Internet Archive apparently is so comfortable financially that it donated \$52,000 to the [Sunlight Foundation](#), already backed by foundations as Soros, Rockefeller, Ford, Knight and Omidyar.

## Wikipedia

- ▶ Wikipedia was founded in 2001 by Jimmy Wales and Larry Sanger. The Wikimedia Foundation, through which Wikipedia can receive donations, was set up in 2003.
- ▶ ISGP has criticized the extreme censorship implemented by a good number of Wikipedia admins. While part of this is due to many admins being too "heady", in other cases they appear to be superclass trolls or individual protecting their interests by watching over their site. There is no good way to counter the censorship of senior admins.
- ▶ Over the years Wikipedia and Jimmy Wales have developed a lot of financial ties to the liberal superclass and key "liberal CIA" foundations - which quite possibly has allowed Wikipedia to financially survive without listing ads. Also Wikipedia's advisory board is absolutely stacked with people



who also take "liberal CIA" foundation money for other NGOs they work for. A list of these ties:

- ▶ Wales joined the [Sunlight Foundation](#) in January 2007, about a year after it was founded. This foundation has received MASSIVE financing from "liberal CIA" foundations as Soros, Omidyar, Ford, Rockefeller, Hewlett, MacArthur and others.
- ▶ [wikimediafoundation.org/wiki/Grant\\_report/2004](http://wikimediafoundation.org/wiki/Grant_report/2004) (accessed: March 25, 2018): *"There was also an important meeting with the Open Society Institute's Information Project in New York, during December. They invited the Wikimedia board to join them for part of their yearly board meeting, and are interested in helping Wikipedia expand in key languages and into the developing world."*
- ▶ Jimmy Wales spoke at a Ted Conference in 2005. Later on he also visited Davos and the Ambrosetti Forum. He met his wife, Kate Garvey, a second time at the 2010 DAVOS conference, after which they started dating. Garvey is Tony Blair's former diary secretary. Garvey also has been involved in activism. In 2005 she worked on the Make Poverty History campaign, which produced the Live 8 concerts. She was closely associated with the Soros-Bill Gates-backed [Bono](#) in these efforts. Later in 2005 she was appointed head of public and social affairs of the Freud Communications, founded by Matthew Freud, a great-grandson of the psychoanalyst Sigmund Freud, whose cousin was the father of modern propaganda: Edward Bernays. She served as a go-between between Matthew Freud and the Blair couple. In 2015 she was a co-founder of Project Everyone, a campaign group dedicated to promoting the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.
- ▶ March 17, 2008, New York Times, 'Open-Source Troubles in Wiki World': *"Mr. Wales [is] greeting the most enthusiastic Wikipedia contributors from across the globe, receiving invitations to the [World Economic Forum](#) in Davos, attending [George Soros's](#) birthday party."*
- ▶ March 17, 2008, New York Times, 'Open-Source Troubles in Wiki World': *"Sue Gardner, the new executive director of the Wikimedia Foundation [2007-2014], which runs the various Wikipedia projects..."* After resigning from Wikimedia, Gardner joined the [Tor Project](#) with financial backing from [Pierre Omidyar's](#) First Look Media.
- ▶ December 13, 2007, [Wikimediafoundation.org](http://Wikimediafoundation.org) press release, 'Wikis Go Printable': *"The Wikimedia Foundation today announced a partnership that will make it possible to obtain high quality print and word processor copies of articles from Wikipedia and other wiki educational*



resources. The development of the underlying open source software is supported by the [Open Society Institute...](#)"

- ▶ [wikimediafoundation.org/wiki/Benefactors/2008–2009](#) (accessed: March 25, 2018; not much, or hidden under "anonymous"): *"Major Benefactors: Arcadia. Richard Lounsbery Foundation. Patrons: Anonymous (3). Leading donors: Anonymous (6) ... Sustaining donors: Anonymous (50)..."*
- ▶ [wikimediafoundation.org/wiki/Benefactors/2009–2010](#) (accessed: March 25, 2018; all of a sudden a lot): *"Foundation support: Alfred P. Sloan Foundation... [Omidyar Network...](#) [Hewlett Foundation...](#) [Ford Foundation...](#) [Open Society Institute...](#) [Google Inc.](#) ...Charitable Giving Fund of [Tides Foundation](#). Major benefactors: ... [Bing](#) [of Microsoft] Patrons: ... Christopher Ruddy [CEO of ultraright Newsmax] Sustaining donors: ... Joichi Ito..."*
- ▶ [wikimediafoundation.org/wiki/Benefactors/2010–2011](#) (accessed: March 25, 2018): *"Major Benefactors: Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. ... The Brin Wojcicki Foundation [Google]. Craigslist Charitable Fund ... The Ford Foundation... Google Matching Gifts Foundation ... Omidyar Network ... Hewlett Foundation. Patrons: Christopher Ruddy ... Leading Donors: ... [Elon Musk](#)..."*
- ▶ [wikimediafoundation.org/wiki/Advisory\\_Board](#) (accessed: March 25, 2018): *"**Melissa Hagemann:** Melissa manages the Open Access Initiative within the Information Program of the [Open Society Institute \(OSI\)/Soros foundations...](#) She has held several positions within OSI including managing OSI's Regional Library Program from 1995-1997 based in Budapest as well as the Science Journals Donation Program from 1998-2001. ... Melissa has served on the Member of Experts' Group of the [Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's](#) Global Library Initiative.  
**Matt Halprin:** ... Halprin was also Partner at [Omidyar Network...](#) Halprin was appointed to the WMF Board in August 2009...  
**Benjamin Mako Hill:** ... Faculty Associate at the [Ford-Soros-etc.-financed] Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society and an affiliate at the Institute for Quantitative Social Science — both at Harvard University...  
**Mimi Ito** [sister of Joi Ito, a protege of "liberal CIA" psychedelics guru [Timothy Leary](#)]: ... most recently, she has led a three-year collaborative ethnographic study,*

funded by the MacArthur Foundation...

**Mitch Kapor:** ... Co-founded the [Omidyar-Rockefeller-funded] [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#)... former Chair of the [Mozilla Foundation](#)... [and long-time advisory board member of the Soros-Rockefeller-Omidyar-Ford Foundation-backed [Sunlight Foundation](#)]

**Rebecca MacKinnon:** ... she resigned from CNN, and was invited to stay at Harvard as a Research Fellow at Harvard Law School's Berkman Center for Internet and Society [financed by foundations as Ford and [Soros](#)]. There she and fellow Wikimedia advisor Ethan Zuckerman co-founded [the Ford Foundation, etc.-funded] Global Voices Online... She serves on the Board of Directors for [the elite-linked] [Tor](#)...

**Domas Mituzas:** ... now working in operations at [Facebook](#).

**Trevor Neilson:** ... Partner in the Global Philanthropy Group... He formed [DATA \(Debt, AIDS, Trade, Africa\)](#) with Bill Gates, [Bono](#) and [George Soros](#), served as a founding board member, and stays involved as a member of DATA's policy board. ... Served in the Clinton White House, for the Office of Scheduling and Advance and the White House Travel Office. He then became the Director of Public Affairs and Director of Special Projects at the [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#)... Served as Executive Director of the Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS (GBC) which was initially created with investments from Bill Gates, George Soros and Ted Turner. ...

**Craig Newmark:** ... founder of [craigslist.org](#) [and MAJOR "liberal CIA" financier alongside foundations as Ford, Rockefeller, Soros, etc.] ...

**Barry Newstead:** ... Partner with the Bridgespan Group, a nonprofit consulting organization [funded by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Ford Foundation, MacArthur Foundation, Omidyar® Network, Hewlett Foundation]

**Jing Wang:** ... [Her NGO] project [was] funded by Ford Foundation in Beijing...

**Ethan Zuckerman:** ... director of MIT's Center for Civic Media, and co-founder of Global Voices ([globalvoicesonline.org](#)) along with fellow advisory board member Rebecca MacKinnon. He is an affiliate at the [Ford Foundation, Soros-financed] Berkman Center for Internet and Society at Harvard Law School, where his work focuses on technology in the developing world. Ethan also works with Open Society Institute's Information Program, along with Melissa Hagemann. ... Before that, he helped found [Tripod.com](#), a popular community site on the early Web. ...

Alumni: ...

**Danny Hillis:** ... Vice President, Research and Development at Walt Disney Imagineering, and a Disney Fellow. ... He founded the [elite-funded] Long Now Foundation [of elite "liberal CIA" psychedelics/technology pusher [Stewart Brand](#)]

**Jay Rosen:** ... writes at the [Huffington Post](#) and *Comment is Free*, the Guardian's group blog. ... Written for [The Nation](#), ... The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times, [Salon.com](#), [TomPaine.com](#) and many others. ...

**Raoul Weiler:** ... Weiler founded and chairs the Brussels-EU Chapter of the [Club of Rome](#) (CoR-EU) and is a member of the Executive Committee of the International Club of Rome (CoR)."

- ▶ December 7, 2007, Financial Times, 'Wikimedia director wants more women in online encyclopedia': *"Katherine Maher is standing on a chair hanging a picture frame when I arrive at her small apartment in San Francisco's Noe Valley. The executive director of the Wikimedia Foundation — the non-profit that runs Wikipedia — travels so often..."*

- ▶ Born in 1983. Claims she was first employed at 11 by superclass member Madeleine Albright. April 3, 2012, Katherine Maher for Levo.com, 'A Seat at the Table: a Twitter-ful list of women crucial to foreign policy': *"In 1994, I got a job working for Madeleine Albright. She was the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations [from 1993 to 1997]."* Graduate in 2003 of the Arabic Language Institute's Arabic Language Intensive Program (ALIN) of The American University in Cairo, *"instilling a deep love of the Middle East"* in her. Studied at the Institut Français d'Etudes Arabes de Damas (L'IFEAD) in Syria in 2004. Visited Lebanon and Tunisia in this period. Internships at the CFR and Eurasia Group. BA from New York University in 2005. Manager at HSBC in 2005-2007. Innovation and communication officer UNICEF 2007-2010. ICT program officer for the super-elite "democracy-sponsoring" [National Democratic Institute for International Affairs](#) of Madeleine Albright 2010-2011. ICT innovation specialist 2011-2013. Advocacy director at the Washington, D.C.-based Access Now, financed by the [Ford Foundation](#) and other "liberal CIA" foundations, 2013-2014. Chief communications officer of the Wikimedia Foundation, founded in 2003 by Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales and the owner of Wikipedia, 2014-2016, executive director 2016-. Director of the Soros-Rockefeller-Omidyar-

Ford Foundation-financed [Sunlight Foundation](#) since March 2018. Jimmy Wales has been sitting on the advisory board of the Sunlight Foundation since January 2007.

- ▶ One example of Wikipedia clearly keeping on corrupt admins is David Gerard:
  - ▶ June 11, 2017, [wikipediawehaveaproblem.com](#), 'David Gerard versus the block chain; a peek into an emerging wiki war': "The Ethereum community is concerned... The Wikipedia articles on cryptocurrency and blockchain are guarded again by the "skeptical activists" on Wikipedia, especially grand wizard skeptic David Gerard... David Gerard may not be a founder, but he is on the Board of Trustees of the RationalWiki Foundation. ... He is even writing a book about the blockchain... Whatever David Gerard cannot get away with on Wikipedia, he moves over to RationalWiki, another MediaWiki he manages a highly toxic troll farm."
- ▶ Elite ties:
- ▶ [ivir.nl/nl/twg/leadership\\_and\\_members/](#) (accessed: May 6, 2020; 27 members): *"LEADERSHIP: Marietje Schaake ... MEMBERS (\*Steering Committee): Michael J. Abramowitz, President, Freedom House. ... \*Michael Chertoff, former Secretary, U.S. Department of Homeland Security. ... Katherine Maher, Executive Director, Wikimedia Foundation [Wikipedia]. ... John Frank, VP & Head of European Union office, Microsoft. ... \*Clint Watts, Distinguished Research Fellow, Foreign Policy Research Institute; Non- Resident Senior Fellow, Alliance for Securing Democracy [housed at the German Marshall Fund; advisory board: Mike Chertoff, William Kristol and John Podesta] ... \*Peter Chase, Senior Fellow, German Marshall Fund (Brussels)..."*

## **Alliance for Global Justice**

- ▶ November 3, 2011, Frontpage Magazine (ultraconservative), 'Occupy Wall Street and Soros; Fingerprints Who is funding the neo-communist uprising?': *"The nonprofit organization that has taken Soros' money is the Alliance for Global Justice. It is managing donations benefiting the anarchists, socialists, communists, empty-headed Naomi Klein followers, and hippies now occupying [OWS'] Zuccotti Park in lower Manhattan. As of Nov. 2, the Alliance reported \$206,000 in donations earmarked for [Occupy Wall Street](#). ... Alliance for Global Justice is a "fiscal sponsor" which means that it serves as a financial clearinghouse for causes that haven't incorporated themselves as nonprofit organizations. Donors write a check*

to the Alliance and are then able to deduct the donations from their income tax. Fiscal sponsors take a percentage of donations as administrative fees and then pass on the rest to the cause favored by the donor.

Alliance for Global Justice has accepted grants from Soros's charity, the [Open Society Institute](#) (\$100,000 since 2004) and from the radical [Tides Foundation](#) (\$60,000 since 2004) which allows high-profile donors to give secretly to radical causes. A hotbed of anti-American activity, the Alliance takes money from the most extreme left-wing philanthropies operating in America today. The Alliance has accepted grants from the (pro-Fidel Castro) [Arca Foundation](#) (\$185,000 since 2001), General Service Foundation (\$165,000 since 2001), and Foundation for Deep Ecology (\$30,000 since 2000), a group of environmental fundamentalists who regard human beings as the number one threat to planet earth.

Founded in 1998, the Alliance has a long history of anti-American activism. Headquartered in Washington, D.C., the Alliance and its president Katherine Hoyt are longtime supporters of the Sandinista (Communist) movement in Nicaragua and the Zapatistas, a Marxist-Leninist guerrilla movement in Mexico. The Alliance also provides funds for the antiwar group World Can't Wait (a spinoff of the Revolutionary Communist Party), and Courage to Resist, which encourages U.S. soldiers to desert and supports accused traitor Bradley Manning of WikiLeaks infamy. The Alliance has funded anti-Israel groups including Israeli Anarchists Against the War and Bil'in Center for Joint Struggle."

- ▶ Tied to anti-Donald Trump activism through [RefuseFascism.org](#) and related groups since 2016:
  - ▶ [refusefascism.org/donate/](#): "To support our educational activities and make a tax-deductible donation by mail, make your check out to Alliance for Global Justice (our fiscal sponsor; you can use the abbreviation AFGJ)..."
  - ▶ [afgj.org/sponsored-projects/fiscally-sponsored-projects/fiscally-sponsored-projects](#) (accessed: February 5, 2017): "Cindy Sheehan's Soapbox ... IndyOWS (Indiana) [[Occupy Wall Street](#)] ... InterOccupy ... [Movement for Black Lives Fund](#) ... Stop Mass Incarceration Network [[linked to anti-Trump RefuseFascism](#)] ... World Can't Wait [[linked to anti-Trump RefuseFascism](#)]..."

### **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)**

- ▶ Founded in 1920 by Felix Frankfurter and others. Over the decades focused on helping to protect freedom of speech:
  - ▶ for artists, students, minorities (blacks, Native

- Americans, homosexuals, etc.), anti-war protestors, whistleblowers, socialists and, in case of local ACLU chapters, communists;
- ▶ by opposing police misconduct;
- ▶ by opposing certain government-introduced legislation;
- ▶ by opposing Christian school indoctrination as biblical creationism.
- ▶ The ACLU has 500,000 members with a budget of over \$130 million. It also lobbies to try and have its own policies introduced as legislation: same-sex marriages, gay rights, birth control, etc.
- ▶ Examples of foundation financing of the ACLU:
  - ▶ December 2, 2008, New York Social Diary, 'Prominent Social Presences': *"He and his brother Charles, along with [George Soros](#), the [Ford Foundation](#) and the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) each contributed \$10 million to the ACLU to defeat parts of the USA Patriot Act."*
  - ▶ November 7, 2014, Philanthropy.com, '\$50-Million Gift to ACLU Provides Jolt for Criminal-Justice Overhaul': *"The American Civil Liberties Union on Friday announced a \$50-million gift from the [Open Society Foundations](#) [of George Soros] that will go toward its effort to overhaul the criminal-justice system. ... A group dubbed Funders for Safety and Justice in California also came together two years ago to support statewide efforts. Its members include the Ford Foundation, Open Society, and the California Endowment. The Pew Charitable Trusts, the MacArthur Foundation, and the Laura and John Arnold Foundation also have done work on this issue."*
  - ▶ hewlett.org/grants/20107/aclu-foundation-southern-california (accessed: April 9, 2016): *"ACLU Foundation of Southern California ... Amount: \$250,000. Date of Award: 2005-02-28..."* This is one of many grants of the [Hewlett Foundation](#) to the ACLU.
  - ▶ packard.org/what-we-fund/grants-database/american-civil-liberties-union-foundation/ (accessed: April 9, 2016): *"American Civil Liberties Union Foundation. Date: 2011. ... Amount: \$700,000..."* This is one of many grants of the [Packard Foundation](#) to the ACLU.
  - ▶ [Hochschild Foundation](#): hkhfoundation.org/grantees (accessed: November 30, 2011): *"American Civil Liberties Union..."*
  - ▶ April 2, 2014, Washington Times, 'George Soros' real crusade: Legalizing marijuana in the U.S.': *"Mr. Soros also donates annually to the American Civil Liberties Union, which in turn funds marijuana legalization efforts... [Billionaire Peter] Lewis, who died in November, donated to legalization efforts in his name and through the ACLU and the Marijuana Policy Project, on which he served as*

*the chairman of the board."*

- ▶ October 1, 2012, Seattle PI, 'A \$4 million marijuana campaign warchest': *"The 78-year-old [Peter] Lewis is a longtime booster of [marijuana] legalization, hitherto best known as a financial angel of the Marijuana Policy Project and the [American Civil Liberties Union](#)."*
- ▶ [Marijuana lobby](#): [NORML](#): [norml.org/index.cfm?Group\\_ID=5471](#) (December 3, 2004): *"Nadine Strossen, Esq., Co-Chair. President, American Civil Liberties Union ..."*
- ▶ [Pacifica Radio](#) founder Lewis Hill history: [kpfahistory.info/hist/lengthening\\_shadow.htm](#) (accessed: November 29, 2015): *"He also worked for the American Civil Liberties Union in Washington D.C., where he met his wife-to-be..."*
- ▶ Grateful Dead's [Rex Foundation](#): [rexfoundation.org/rexgrants.html](#) (accessed: July 12, 2001): *"1990 grants: American Civil Liberties Union 10,000."*

### **Act Now to Stop War and End Racism (ANSWER Coalition)**

- ▶ Major anti-war protest group that emerged three days after 9/11 and started organizing large-scale anti-War on Terror / Iraq invasion protests. Unfortunately, ANSWER also organized anti-Israel/pro-Palestine and "anti-racism" and pro-Third World immigration demonstrations.
  - ▶ [answercoalition.org](#) (accessed: July 20, 2004): *"Thousands marched from the White House to Rumsfeld's house to say: "Bush and Rumsfeld - Guilty of War Crimes""*
  - ▶ [answercoalition.org/who\\_we\\_are](#) (accessed: September 8, 2018): *"Founded just three days after the September 11, 2001 attacks, ANSWER (Act Now to Stop War and End Racism) initiated ... the ANSWER Coalition demonstration of 200,000 people on October 26, 2002... On January 18, 2003, 500,000 people packed the Mall in Washington, D.C. under the slogan "Stop the War Before It Starts." ... On February 15, 2003, many millions of people, in nearly every country in the world, joined together in the largest coordinated antiwar actions in history. On April 12, 2003, just 3 days after the U.S. invasion force conquered Baghdad the ANSWER coalition organized a demonstration of 30,000 people in downtown Washington, D.C. under the slogan "Occupation is not Liberation.""*
- ▶ Few people know that ANSWER is front group of the [Stalinist-](#)



communist World Workers Party (WWK) and its allied International Action Center of globalist CIA asset Ramsey Clark, despite the fact that Clark, his colleagues and allies around the world - communist distator supporters and Muslim extremists - being deeply involved in the group. Only very few media outlets have exposed ANSWER.

► November 4, 2002, WorldNetDaily, 'Has anti-war movement been hijacked? Terror alliances, radical politics revealed at forefront': *"The World Workers Party created the IAC in 1992, and put Ramsey Clark, now kingpin of the anti-war movement, at the head of it. ... [We now have a] "new" anti-war movement, which has been increasingly dominated by the international A.N.S.W.E.R. coalition, an organizational front group formed by the International Action Center. Closely allied with IAC is the World Workers Party, a quasi-Stalinist organization that supports authoritarian regimes and communist dictatorships."* More details in the [World Workers Party / IAC section](#).

► [answercoalition.org/endorsers.html](#) (accessed: September 8, 2018): *"Steering Committee: Free Palestine Alliance - U.S. ... [pro-Sandinista] Nicaragua Network ... [pro-North Korea] Korea Truth Commission. [Ramsey Clark's] International Action Center. Muslim Student Association. ... Mexico Solidarity Network. Middle East Children's Alliance.*

*List of Coalition Co-Signers (as of June 20, 2002): [Top name:] Ramsey Clark ... Teresa Gutierrez - Co-Director, International Action Center, NYC ... [9/11-no-planer and chemtrails disinformers] Michel Chossudovsky ... Howard Zinn ... Michael Parenti Ph.D. ... Dick Gregory - comedian ... Green Party USA ... Bohemian Grove Action Network, Sonoma County, California ... Sonoma County Free Press, California [largely Latino, Arab and other Third World names for the rest]...*

*American Muslims for Global Peace. Al-Awda Palestine Right of Return Coalition, NY & NJ. ... Committee for a Democratic Palestine. ... Ben DuPuy - former Deputy Ambassador-at-Large, Haiti ... Muslims Against Racism and War."*

► Financing (usually extremely hard to establish for communist antifa networks):

► [answercoalition.org/donateform.html](#) (accessed: July 20, 2004): *"Your donation will appear as Alliance for Global Justice on your credit card bill."* The Alliance for Global Justice has been involved in the financing of very low-level activist groups and has accepted funds from foundations as Soros, Tides and Arca.

► January 5, 2017, [answercoalition.org](#), 'Donate! Save your



Tax \$\$ and Fight Trump!': *"Donations made, or checks dated by, midnight on December 31 to the Progress Unity Fund/ ANSWER are tax-deductible."* PUF is a front from the World Workers Party and the IAC.

### **Berkman Kleinman Center for Internet & Security (Berkman Center)**

- ▶ Leading Harvard-based Internet study center, with a branch at Stanford.
- ▶ Financing came from Michael R. Klein, with Lawrence Lessig serving as the initial Berkman professor. Lessig maintained a long-standing tie to the Berkman Center and its Stanford affiliate. Lessig developed countless other "liberal CIA" ties and became the mentor of Aaron Swartz, the famous wickid with whom he developed the Creative Commons open source license. Swartz was "liberal CIA", stood at the basis of the giant Reddit forum, and prominently committed suicide in 2013. Much has been written about the Lessig and Swartz in ISGP's [Sun Valley Meetings article](#), in the [Reddit section](#).
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ [cyber.harvard.edu/wg\\_home/sponsors](http://cyber.harvard.edu/wg_home/sponsors) (accessed: June 5, 2019): *"The Berkman Family ... [Bradley Foundation](#) ... [eBay \[Omidyar\]](#)... [Ernst & Young Foundation](#) ... [Google, Inc.](#) [Hivos](#). [IBM](#). [Lenovo](#). ... [MacArthur Foundation](#) ... [Knight Foundation](#) ... [Andrew W. Mellon Foundation](#) ... [Microsoft](#) ... [Craig Newmark Philanthropic Trust](#). [Novell](#). [The Oak Foundation](#). [The Omidyar Network](#). [The Open Society Institute of the Soros Foundation](#). [Oracle Corporation](#). [PayPal](#). [Philip L. Graham Fund](#). [Reuters, Inc.](#) ... [Sun Microsystems](#). [United States Department of State](#)."*

### **Digital Freedom Fund**

- ▶ Founded in 2017.
- ▶ Officers:
  - ▶ [digitalfreedomfund.org/about/our-team/](http://digitalfreedomfund.org/about/our-team/) (accessed: January 25, 2020): *"- [Nani Jansen Reventlow](#): [Nani is the Director of the Digital Freedom Fund](#). ... [Associate Tenant at Doughty Street Chambers](#), an [Affiliate at the Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society at Harvard University](#)...*  
*- [Aurum Linh](#): ... [Aurum is a technologist and product developer embedded as a Mozilla Fellow within the Digital Freedom Fund](#)."*
  - ▶ [digitalfreedomfund.org/about/board/](http://digitalfreedomfund.org/about/board/) (accessed: January 25, 2020): *"- [Raegan MacDonald](#): [Head of EU Public Policy at Mozilla \(Chair\)](#)... [Raegan has previously worked](#)*

at Access Now and is a board member of EDRI [European Digital Rights]. ...

- Rupert Skilbeck: ... previously was the Litigation Director at the Open Society Justice Initiative...

- Karmen Turk: ... She co-ordinates the Dynamic Coalition of Freedom of Expression and Media on the Internet of the UN Internet Governance Forum."

► [digitalfreedomfund.org/about/our-friends/](https://digitalfreedomfund.org/about/our-friends/) (accessed: January 25, 2020): "- David Kaye, UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression.

- Dunja Mijatovic, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights ... and the former OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media. ...

- Marietje Schaake, Member of the European Parliament: ... Marietje Schaake has been named Stanford's Cyber Policy Center's International Policy Director."

► Elite ties and funding:

► Founding managing director Nani Jansen Reventlow and Marietje Schaake both are officers of the Dutch Prince Claus Fund, alongside Prince Constantijn of Orange, a younger brother of King Willem Alexander. Schaake is also a council member of Soros' ECFR, etc.

► [digitalfreedomfund.org/about/](https://digitalfreedomfund.org/about/) (accessed: January 25, 2020): "DFF is currently supported by Open Society Foundations, Adessium Foundation, Luminare, and Ford Foundation. We previously received support from the Renewable Freedom Foundation and project funding from the Democracy and Media Foundation."

## Internet Governance Forum (IGF)

► Founded in 2006. Annual meeting.

► Financiers:

► [intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/donors-to-the-igf-trust-fund](https://intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/donors-to-the-igf-trust-fund) (accessed: January 25, 2020): "The Secretariat is grateful to IGF Trust Fund donors, listed below in order of the size of their total contribution since 2006. Donors to the Trust Fund: Government of Finland. European Commission. ... ICANN ... The Internet Society (ISOC)... Government of Switzerland [and] the United States [and] the Netherlands [and] Germany [and] the UNited Kingdom [and] Japan. ... Tides Foundation ... Verizon ... AT&T ... Facebook ... Microsoft ... Siemens ... Google ... Government of Norway [and] Sweden. Amazon. ... Walt Disney ... CISCO ..."

## Oxford Internet Institute (OII)

- ▶ Founded in 2001. Part of elite Balliol College at the equally elite Oxford University, and therefore is able to give out official, prestigious degrees.
- ▶ Also part of the Berkman Kleinman Center network, funded by "liberal CIA" foundation. Oxford also gets funds from the Ford Foundation and the like.

## Cato Institute

- ▶ Moved to "conservative CIA" oversight, because it is a "libertarian" think tank and mostly associated with "conservative thought". It is, however, a champion of Third World immigration and LGBTQ propaganda, all under the guise of "let the markets and everything be". The think tank is in the unique positions of getting both "liberal CIA" and "conservative CIA" funding.

## Center for Democracy and Technology (CDT)

- ▶ Research and activist center focused on protecting online-related privacy in the modern world.
  - ▶ [cdt.org/about/](http://cdt.org/about/) (accessed: June 6, 2019): *"CDT is a champion of global online civil liberties and human rights, driving policy outcomes that keep the internet open, innovative, and free."*
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ May 3, 2016, Washington Free Beacon, 'Consumer Watchdog Took Millions From Google, Quiet on Privacy Concerns; Center for Democracy and Technology stays out of debate over tech giant's data mining (Updated)': *"The Center for Democracy and Technology, a consumer watchdog group with outsized influence in Washington, took in \$2.5 million from Google between 2010 and 2014, according to tax records. The donations amounted to more than double the amount contributed by any other company during the same period. Critics argue that Google's funding for the CDT and other industry watchdogs has essentially turned these groups into an extension of the company's lobbying efforts and stifled debate about Google's heavy reliance on data collection."*
  - ▶ April 12, 2016, Washington Post, 'Google, once disdainful of lobbying, now a master of Washington influence': *"The American Civil Liberties Union, Heritage Action, Americans for Tax Reform and the Center for Democracy & Technology have formed a coalition calling for the*

*government to obtain a probable-cause warrant before getting access to e-mails and other electronic data. The coalition, Digital 4th, is funded by Google. ...*

*As the public's outrage has grown [over the NSA-Silicon Valley ties], the tech giant has tried to keep the focus on limiting government surveillance, not on the data collection done by private companies."*

- ▶ [macfound.org/grantees/1043/](http://macfound.org/grantees/1043/) (accessed: June 6, 2019; MacArthur Foundation): *"Center for Democracy and Technology was awarded \$3,075,000 between 2002 and 2015..."*
- ▶ September 3, 2010, Forbes, 'Soros Makes The Kochs Look Like Political Skinflints': *"Below, a partial list of groups funded by Open Society and Tides in 2008: ... Center for Democracy and Technology: \$300,000.00."*
- ▶ [opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/](http://opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/) (accessed: June 6, 2019; Soros' [Open Society Foundations](#)): *"Center for Democracy and Technology. 2016. \$350,000."*
- ▶ 2006-2018 grants lists of the Ford Foundation: *"Center for Democracy and Technology: 2009: \$100,000. ... 2011: \$250,000. ... 2014: \$150,000. ... 2015: \$150,000. ... 2016: \$300,000. ... 2018: \$150,000."*

## CorpWatch.org

- ▶ [Corpwatch.org/section.php?id=169](http://corpwatch.org/section.php?id=169) (accessed: November 25, 2015): *"Since 1996, San Francisco Bay Area-based CorpWatch has been educating and mobilizing people through the CorpWatch.org website, articles and publications, and numerous action-campaigns. The organization is a project of the Tides Center. ... In addition, we are an affiliate member of [Friends of the Earth International](#) [which is massively financed by all the major liberal foundations]."*
- ▶ Tides/Threshold Foundation annual grants lists reveal almost annual donations to CorpWatch in the \$10,000 to \$35,000 range.

## Courage Foundation

- ▶ Foundation founded on August 9, 2013 as a trust for the legal defense of whistleblowers, primarily those related to major issues as [Wikileaks](#) and allied hackers, CIA waterboarding, NSA whistleblowers and Putin opposition (Pussy Riot).
  - ▶ [couragefound.org/donate/](http://couragefound.org/donate/) (accessed: April 2, 2017): *"If you'd like to make a donation to Chelsea Manning's official defence fund ... Edward Snowden's official defence fund ... Jeremy Hammond's official defence fund*

*... Matt DeHart's official defence fund ... Emin Huseynov's official defence fund ... Barrett Brown's official defence fund ..."*

► Financing/elite ties:

- While not sure of the origins of its funds at this point (it might be grassroots, considering the massive media attention to these whistleblowers), the foundation is completely dominated by individuals involved in other NGOs that most certainly do receive backing from foundations as Rockefeller, Ford and Open Society. Think of [Wikileaks](#), [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) and [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#).
- Early Courage Foundation advisory board member **Renata Avila** was employed by Soros' [Open Society Foundations](#) for four years, overlapping with the period that she joined the Courage Foundation's board.
  - [couragefound.org/advisory-board/](http://couragefound.org/advisory-board/) (accessed: June 25, 2014; only 12 members still listed): *"Renata Avila ... Annie Machon..."*
  - [couragefound.org/advisory-board/](http://couragefound.org/advisory-board/) (accessed: September 13, 2016): *"Renata Avila"*
  - [linkedin.com/in/renatavila/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/renatavila/) (accessed: April 3, 2016): *"Independent Consultant for Open Net at Berkman Center for Internet & Society. Company Name: Harvard University. Dates Employed: Feb 2008 – Present. ... Country Researcher at Mapping Digital Media Project. Company Name: Open Society Foundation. Dates Employed: Nov 2010 – Sep 2014. ... Member of the Board of Directors, Creative Commons. ... Dates Employed Dec 2013 – Present. ... Following: ... TEDx and Guatemala. ... Joichi Ito, Director, MIT Media Lab [and board member Mozilla Foundation, MacArthur Foundation and Knight Foundation]."*
- **Gavin MacFadyen** was key Courage Foundation advisory board member until his death in October 2016. MacFadyen co-founded the [Soros](#), [Ford](#) and [Park Foundation](#)-financed Center for Investigative Journalism in 2003 was a close ally and described "mentor" to Wikileaks' Julian Assange.
- Early Courage Foundation acting director **Sarah Harrison** has been a key [Wikileaks](#) employee since 2010 and escorted Edward Snowden from Hong Kong to Russia in 2013. She first came to Wikileaks as an intern at the [Soros](#), [Ford](#) and [Park Foundation](#)-financed Center for Investigative Journalism.
  - December 29, 2014, [couragefound.org](http://couragefound.org), 'Sarah Harrison and Grace North at the 31st Chaos

Communication Congress': *"Courage Acting Director Sarah Harrison..."*

- ▶ Funds appear to be partially coming from [Pamela Anderson](#) (PETA activist; chair Sea Shepherd Conservation Society; appeared on [Coast to Coast AM](#) in 2006; relationship with Julian Assange since 2014): [pamelaandersonfoundation.org/paf/](#) (accessed: April 2, 2017): *"Charity and Activism links: ... - PETA. ... - Climate Revolution. - Free Assange! ... - The Courage Foundation."*
- ▶ Anno 2017, the Courage Foundation is listed at the bottom of the [Wikileaks.org](#) page, along with the [Tor Network](#) (also Soros-linked) and Bitcoin (possibly interesting: alleged elite pedophile Brock Pierce, a participant of the Clinton Global Initiative, served on the foundation's board; conspiracy disinformers David Seaman relentlessly pushes Bitcoin).
- ▶ [couragefound.org/2014/11/press-release-top-musicians-actors-and-nobel-laureates-show-support-for-edward-snowden-publishers-and-whistleblowers/](#) (accessed: April 2, 2017): *"Pamela Anderson ... John Perry Barlow ... ["liberal CIA"-type conspiracy activist and disinformers] Russell Brand ... Noam Chomsky ... John Pilger ... Cenk Uygur [of [The Young Turks](#)]..."*
- ▶ [couragefound.org/advisory-board/](#) (accessed: April 2, 2017): *"Courage has a growing Advisory Board, meet some of our first members: Maria Alyokhina [and] Nadezhda Tolokonnikova [of Pussy Riot] ... John Perry Barlow [co-founder of the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) and [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#), etc.]. William Binney. Thomas Drake. Daniel Ellsberg [co-founder [FPF](#)]. Chris Hedges. John Kiriakou [CIA analyst who disclosed the CIA's use of waterboarding]. ... [bizarre 9/11 no-planer and hologram theorist] [Annie Machon](#) ... Ray McGovern..."*

## Free Press

- ▶ Founded in 2003 by writer Robert W. McChesney, progressive journalist John Nichols, and activist Josh Silver:
  - ▶ [freepress.net/about/board](#) (accessed: December 29, 2019): "
    - Robert W. McChesney, Director Emeritus. A co-founder of Free Press...
    - John Nichols, Director Emeritus: A co-founder of Free Press, John is [The Nation's](#) Washington correspondent and editorial-page editor of the [Capital Times](#) [who is married to Mary Bottari, the deputy director of the Rockefeller, Soros, Ford foundations-funded [Center for Media and Democracy](#)]. ...
    - Josh Silver, Director Emeritus: Josh is the co-founder and former president and CEO of Free Press. He is the founder and director of [Represent.Us](#), a national campaign to end

*the undue influence of money in U.S. politics...*

*- Ben Scott, Board Chair: Ben is the director of policy and advocacy at Luminate [of the [Omidyar Network](#) and] a senior advisor to [the Soros, Rockefeller, Google, etc.-tied] [New America \[Foundation\]](#)'s Open Technology Institute. He also led the technology-policy advisory group for the 2016 [Hillary] Clinton presidential campaign. Prior to that he served as the policy adviser for innovation at the State Department [under Obama]...*

*- Ashley Allison: ... She was the deputy director and senior policy advisor under Valerie Jarrett in the Obama White House Office of Public Engagement."*

► "Purpose":

► Pretends to be a grass-roots activist group fighting for a free media and open internet. In reality, it is just an anti-white race-baiting group trying to bring media and internet access to Third World minorities so they can more effectively vote Democrat/globalist.

► [freepress.net](#) (accessed: December 29, 2019): "

- \$0 taken from business, government or political parties.  
1,441,832 activists strong. ...

- Tell the Senate to Pass the Save the Internet Act. ...

- Urge Congress to Ban Facial-Recognition technology. ...

- 81% of White people have home-internet access, compared to 70% of Latinx people and 68% of Black people. ...

- 8 media giants control 788 broadcast-TV stations...  
Media Control: Who owns the media? How do we make sure regulations favor people, not corporations? ...

- Join Us as we challenge powerful corporations, hold policymakers accountable and mobilize millions....

- How can we keep the internet open and affordable for all? Why is access key to realizing a just society? [Net Neutrality support] ...

- Activists Urge Twitter to Ban White Supremacists. ... Fox News is racist. Period. ...

- How do we hold news outlets accountable? How do we make sure our communities are represented accurately?

...

- Privacy & Surveillance: Who's tracking us online? Why are companies — and the government — spying on people? The FBI vs. Black Lives."

► Funding:

► [freepress.net/2017\\_annual\\_report](#) (accessed: December 29, 2019): "*Top Foundation Partners (\$5000 and higher) [for 2017]: Center For American Progress (Wellspring Advisors). [craigslist Charitable Fund](#). [CS Fund/Warsh-Mott Legacy](#). ... [Ford Foundation](#). [Foundation to Promote Open Society](#). [Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation](#). ... [New](#)*



*Venture Fund (Media Democracy Fund). [Park Foundation](#). [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#). [San Francisco Foundation](#). [Schwab Charitable Fund](#). ... [Kaplan Foundation](#)."*

### Free Press Unlimited (FRU)

- ▶ For a while this authored wondered if the Dutch "Free Press Unlimited" is linked to Free Press above. Whatever the case, it soon turned out to have similar elite ties through Marietje Schaake (close to royal family, an ECFR member, and a major Dutch globalist) and its funding sources:
  - ▶ December 16, 2011, Free Press Unlimited, 'New vice-president of the supervisory board: Marietje Schaake'.
  - ▶ [freepressunlimited.org/en/about-us](http://freepressunlimited.org/en/about-us) (accessed: January 26, 2020): *Free Press Unlimited's work is possible thanks to the generous support of our loyal donors... [Nationale Postcode Loterij](#), Ministerie van Buitenlandse Zaken, [European Union], Greenhost: Sustainable Hosting & Digital Security. ... Free Press Unlimited is a member of the Global Investigative Journalism Network.*"
  - ▶ [freepressunlimited.org/en/management](http://freepressunlimited.org/en/management) (accessed: January 26, 2020): *"Leon Willems (1961) was appointed Director of Free Press Unlimited in May 2011. ... For years he was the producer of important news stories about the Middle-east and Sub Saharan Africa. Between 2004-2007 Willems worked for the United Nations, setting up independent radio stations in South Sudan [major conflict zone also tied to [George Clooney](#) and [George Soros](#)]. ... Ruth Kronenburg (1964) has been Director of Operations for Free Press Unlimited since 2011. ... Kronenburg is also a member of the Supervisory Board of the Transnational Institute (TNI) [the Dutch branch of the "liberal CIA"-funded [Institute for Policy Studies](#)]..."*

### Equal Justice Initiative (EJI)

- ▶ Alabama-based non-profit that provides legal representation to prisoners who may have been wrongly convicted of crimes, poor prisoners without effective representation, and others who may have been denied a fair trial.
- ▶ Funding:
  - ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants list 2006 - mid 2021: *"Equal Justice Initiative. 2006: \$250,000. ... 2008: \$525,000. ... 2010: \$850,000 [and] \$100,000. ... 2011: \$300,000 [and] \$100,000. ... 2013: \$600,000. ... 2015: \$250,000. ... 2016:*

\$2,000,000 [and] \$250,000. ... 2017: \$250,000. ... 2019: \$500,000 [and] \$200,000. ... 2020: \$7,000,000."

- ▶ July 13, 2020, [opensocietyfoundations.org](https://opensocietyfoundations.org), 'Racial Justice in the United States': *"Open Society has long supported Bryan Stevenson and the Equal Justice Initiative, creators of the Legacy Museum in Montgomery, Alabama, and joined with other funders in 2019 to create the African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund, the largest preservation campaign ever undertaken on behalf of African American history."*
- ▶ July 13, 2020 (also), [opensocietyfoundations.org](https://opensocietyfoundations.org), 'Open Society Foundations Announce \$220 Million for Building Power in Black Communities ': *"Recipients [include] Black Voters Matter, Circle for Justice Innovations, Repairers of the Breach and the Equal Justice Initiative."*
- ▶ July 11, 2020, [etc.canada.com](https://etc.canada.com), 'Bon Jovi Backs Black Lives Matter Protests In Powerful New Single 'American Reckoning': *"Proceeds from 'American Reckoning' will be donated to the Equal Justice Initiative through Dec. 31, 2020."*

## Global Citizen

- ▶ Website and activist movement focused on creating a world civilization in which everybody is equal and has equal opportunities. The movement is disingenuous, for starters because, as always, it is ignoring [massively heightened black crime numbers](#) and [Arab religious extremism](#), along with [white guilt](#). To make matters even worse, it appears to be pushing conspiracy disinformation when it became the originator of the Anneke Lucas sexual abuse story, in which ISGP's [Beyond the Dutroux Affair](#) is linked.
  - ▶ December 19, 2016, Global Citizen, 'My Name Is Anneke Lucas and I Was a Sex Slave to Europe's Elite at Age 6'.
  - ▶ What was amazing to behold was that this article was largely copied by other new age - conspiracy disinformation - sustainable development combination sites, including [Earth-matters.nl](https://earth-matters.nl) (chemtrails, etc.), [Galacticconnection.com](https://galacticconnection.com), [Care2.com](https://care2.com) (partners include Pew Charitable Trusts, WWF, Environmental Defense Fund) and others.
- ▶ March 27, 2017 headlines at [globalcitizen.org](https://globalcitizen.org):
  - *In a Major Victory for America's Poorest, House Fails to Even Vote on [Trump's] Healthcare Bill.*
  - *Africa is Kicking Off a Massive Campaign to Eradicate Polio.*
  - *Jay-Z is Producing a 6-Part Series & Film on Trayvon Martin Shooting [pro-Black Lives Matter].*
  - *Mattia C. signed a petition "Call on G20 leaders to create a*

*world where no one is left behind"*

- ▶ Elite directors have included Arianna Huffington and Facebook- and Peter Thiel-tied whizkid Sean Parker:
  - ▶ August 31, 2016, MSNBC, 'Arianna Huffington Joins Global Citizen': *"Arianna Huffington is joining the board of directors..."*
  - ▶ [globalcitizen.org/en/about/who-we-are/board-directors/](http://globalcitizen.org/en/about/who-we-are/board-directors/) (accessed: August 3, 2020): *"Sean Parker... Chris Anderson, CEO, TED [tied to the Rockefellers through his wife] ... Michele Anthony, Executive Vice President, Universal Music Group ... Jay Brown, Co-founder/CEO, RocNation ... Mark Campana, Chief Operating Officer for U.S. Concerts, Live Nation Entertainment ... Kelly Curtis, Manager, Pearl Jam ... Daniel Green, Senior Advisor for Policy, Advocacy and Communications, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation ... Tom Jones, COO, Women's World Banking ... Jane Rosenthal, Co-founder, Tribeca Films..."*
- ▶ Partnerships/financing:
  - ▶ [globalcitizen.org/en/partners/?type=partnership](http://globalcitizen.org/en/partners/?type=partnership) (accessed: December 20, 2016): *"The [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#)... Caterpillar Foundation ... MSNBC ... Johnson & Johnson ... Comcast NBCUniversal ... GLOBAL CITIZEN SUPPORTERS: YouTube ... HP [which theoretically would bring in the billionaire [Hewlett Foundation](#) and [Packard Foundation](#)]. HP is proud to work with Global Citizen to help mobilize global action to end extreme poverty, and improve the planet. ... NYC Parks Department ... Clear Channel Communications ... FC Barcelona Foundation ... Forbes ... Ericsson ... Windows 10 ... Pratt Foundation..."*
  - ▶ [globalcitizen.org/en/partners/](http://globalcitizen.org/en/partners/) accessed: December 20, 2016): *"MAJOR PARTNERS: World Vision [for Children] ... Unicef... [United Nations Foundation](#) ... Save the Children ... [Oxfam America](#) .... One ... Care... [all became partners in the 2012-2014 period] .... PARTNERS [dozens]: ... Rainforest Alliance ... Stand for Trees ... U.S. Fund for UNICEF ... Rotary International ... The Earth Institute, Columbia University ... UKAID, UK Department for International Development ... Stiftung Weltbevölkerung ... Farm Africa ... USA for UNHCR ... The Hunger Project ... World Childhood Foundation ... Overseas Development Institute ... WSSCC ... The Global Fund ... United Nations Development Programme ... "*

### **Guns: Everytown For Gun Safety**

- ▶ Founded in 2014 by billionaire Michael Bloomberg - a George Soros and Bill Gates partner in philanthropy - and allies. [Bill &](#)

[Melinda Gates Foundation](#) board member Warren Buffett has been on the advisory board of Everytown For Gun Safety since the beginning. So has a Huffington Post and BuzzFeed chair Ken Lerer.

- ▶ April 16, 2014, CBS News, 'Gun control groups join forces with \$50 million from Michael Bloomberg': *"The new group, Everytown for Gun Safety, will combine the efforts of the Bloomberg-backed group Mayors Against Illegal Guns and Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, a grassroots movement founded the day after the 2012 mass shooting in Newtown, Conn. [Lik] the National Rifle Association, [it] will attempt to hold public officials accountable for their stance on gun-related issues and make it a key issue for voters at the ballot box. ..."*

*Everytown is employing field staff in more than a dozen states, including Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Indiana, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia and Washington."*

- ▶ [everytown.org/who-we-are/](#) (accessed: February 22, 2018; same names as in 2014): *"Advisory Board: ... - Michael R. Bloomberg. - David Boren. - Eli Broad [65th wealthiest person in the world; major Democrat donor]. - Warren Buffett. ... - Irwin M. Jacobs [billionaire; director CFR-allied PCIP]. ... Ken Lerer [Columbia; chair/co-founder [Huffington Post](#); chair BuzzFeed; launched [StopTheNRA.com](#) in 2013] ... - [Adm.] Mike Mullen [Bush and then Obama's Joint Chiefs of Staff chair]... - [Philadelphia mayor] Charles Nutter..."*

#### **Never Again MSD / Never Again Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School / March for our Lives**

- ▶ Group founded by survivors of the February 14, 2018, primarily by Cameron Kasky, Emma Gonzalez, and David Hogg. The total initial group consisted of 20 students. The total number of students at the school in 2016 stood around 3,150, giving the group 0.6% support among students.
- ▶ Emma Gonzalez (already president of the high school's Gay-Straight Alliance to fight against "homophobia" and "transphobia"). The [Gay-Straight Alliance](#) is financed with millions coming from corporations and the usual "liberal CIA" foundations as [Soros](#) and [Ford](#).
  - ▶ February 19, 2018, BuzzFeed, 'Here's What It's Like At The Headquarters Of The Teens Working To Stop Mass Shootings': "As people online tweeted that González should run for president, she joked that she already is president — of her school's Gay-Straight Alliance."
- ▶ David Hogg: father was an FBI agent; mother a major fan of

Bernie Sanders, Planned Parenthood, Third World immigration and CNN:

- ▶ February 21, 2018, David Hogg with his FBI father Kevin Hogg on Anderson Cooper, CNN: *"[Asked about accusations of him being a crisis actor; looks like he is reading like a robot from a teleprompter:] I'm just so sorry that these people have lost their faith in America, because I know I certainly haven't. The fact that these people refuse to believe that something like this could happen, is something that all of us don't want to believe. ... [Finally gets to the point:] These people saying this is absolutely disturbing. And these people saying this, I am absolutely not an actor in any sense, way, shape, or form. I am the son of a former FBI agent and that is true. But as such it is also true that I go to Stoneman Douglas High School. And... I was a witness to this. I am not a crisis actor. I am someone who had to witness this. ... I want every American to be able to own a gun who has a mentally stable mind."*
- ▶ February 21, 2017, Rebecca Boldrick, Kevin Hogg's mother, on Facebook: *"I can't be silent any more. I tried to be respectful during the elections. I can't sit by and do nothing with what is going on currently in the USA. It's horrifying. If you like what Trump is currently doing please unfriendly or block me because you won't like what I am going to begin posting."*
- ▶ April 26, 2017, Rebecca Boldrick, Kevin Hogg's mother, on Facebook: *"#IStandWithPP [Planned Parenthood]"*
- ▶ [Photos of Hogg/Boldrick family trip CNN](#), plus pro-Third World immigration propaganda on Boldrick's Facebook.

### March For Our Lives

- ▶ Collaboration with the elite-backed [Everytown for Gun Safety](#). It was announced on February 18, 2018, following the February 14 school shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.
- ▶ Cameron Kasky, a junior at the school, and his classmates, announced the march. They were joined by Alex Wind of Stoneman Douglas High School, who along with four friends created the "Never Again" campaign. Emma Gonzalez (already president of the high school's Gay-Straight Alliance to fight against "homophobia" and "transphobia") and David Hogg, also survivors of the shooting, have been vocal supporters of the march. The march is to take place on March 24, 2018.
- ▶ February 20, 2018, New York Times, 'Clooney, Winfrey and Spielberg Donate Money for March Against Gun Violence': *"Actor George Clooney and his wife, Amal, a human rights*

lawyer, said Tuesday that they would donate \$500,000... "Our family will be there on March 24 to stand side by side with this incredible generation of young people from all over the country," the Clooneys said. "And in the name of our children, Ella and Alexander, we're donating 500,000 dollars to help pay for this groundbreaking event." "Our children's lives depend on it," they added. ...

After the Clooneys made their announcement, other Hollywood leaders said they would match their donation to help the March for Our Lives, including the producer Jeffrey Katzenberg and his wife, Marilyn, Oprah Winfrey, and Steven Spielberg and his wife, Kate Capshaw."

#### **April 20, 2018 National School Walkout**

- ▶ The National School Walkout, a group backed by elite-linked anti-Trump protest groups and headed by student Lane Murdock, organized a national school walk-out on Friday, April 20, 2018, for 17 minutes starting on 10:00 a.m. Tens of thousands of students from over 3,100 national schools participated, with a small crowd gathering at Trump Tower and thousands more in front of the White House and Capitol. Students were holding speeches in front of the Capitol primarily backed by dozens of adults, a large part black. Speeches included texts as the following and were likely put together with the aid of some of these adults:
- ▶ Student Matt Post: *"As students, we will need to make a few things clear. To start, we will not sit in class with armed teachers. We refuse to learn in fear. We reject turning our schools into prisons. We will accept nothing less than comprehensive gun control! And if it's what it takes, we will shame our national policy makers into protecting us."*
- ▶ Black student Michael Solomon aspiring to be the new Martin Luther King: *We could all agree that in an ideal world, none of us would be here. In an ideal world, the 20 first graders and kinder gardeners who died at Sandy Hook would be in middle still today. In an ideal world, the 58 concert goers who were gunned down in Las Vegas would have gone home and returned to be with their families. In an ideal world, the 32 students who died at Virginia Tech would be employed professionals and the 17 victims from Stoneman Douglas would probably be eating lunch at school right now.*
- ▶ There was some encouraging to make the protest last all day, conveniently providing all participants with a long weekend. The protest was reported in the international media, including here in the Netherlands at the Bilderberg-owned [Nu.nl](https://www.nu.nl), without any bylines. The slogan of NationalSchoolWalkout.net was *"We Say Enough Is Enough"* and was held on the 19th anniversary of the 1999 Columbine

school shooting. It capitalized on the March for our Lives campaign.

- ▶ Elite elements were behind the protest:
  - ▶ April 20, 2018, Vox, 'National School Walkout on April 20 kicks off the next wave of gun control activism': "[Lane] Murdock created her protest independent of the March 14 National School walkout, which the [elite foundation-backed] [Women's March](#) helped organize. ... [Indivisible](#) [founders deeply linked to top foundations as Ford, Rockefeller, Soros, etc.] is backing the April 20 walkout and helping Murdock and some of her fellow students organize..."
- ▶ The national protest also seems very much linked to the Students Demand Action group, founded by the elite-backed [Everytown for Gun Safety](#) in February 2018, two months before the protest.
  - ▶ February 21, 2018, [act.everytown.org](#), 'Students Demand Action: End Gun Violence in America': *"High school and college students from across the country are teaming up with Everytown for Gun Safety Action Fund and Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America to launch a new initiative – Students Demand Action. Classrooms and college campuses are places for learning, not places to worry about gunfire."*

## Innocence Project

- ▶ NGO founded in 1992 by Barry Scheck and Peter Neufeld to help clear the wrongfully convicted. These two were part of O.J. Simpson's "Dream Team" of lawyers.
- ▶ Financials:
  - ▶ 2013 annual report, Innocence Project, p. 20: *"Donors 2013: ... \$100,000+: ... Ford Foundation ... Peter B. Lewis\* [\*deceased] Open Society Foundations. ... Starr Foundation. \$50,000 to \$99,999: ... Flora Family Foundation. ... \$25,000 to \$49,999: Alcoa Foundation in honor of Kurt Waldo. ... Bama Works Fund of Dave Matthews Band. ... Alan and Deborah Cohen / Goldman Sachs Gives. ... Samuel Goldwyn Foundation. ... \$10,000 to \$24,999: ... The Foundation for the Presumption of Innocence. The David Geffen Foundation."*
  - ▶ 2014 annual report, Innocence Project, p. 23: *"2014 Donors...: ... \$100,000+: ... Open Society Foundations..."*
  - ▶ 2015 annual report, Innocence Project, pp. 17, 32: *"2015 Donors...: ... \$100,000+: ... Open Society Foundations... \$50,000+: ... Goldman Sachs Gives. ... David Geffen Foundation. Goldman Sachs & Co. ... The Innocence Project thanks the following companies*



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- ▶ 2016 annual report, Innocence Project: "\$100,000+: ... Ford Foundation... \$50,000 to \$99,999: ... Samuel Goldwyn Foundation. ... \$25,000 to \$49,999: Alcoa Foundation ... Bama Works Fund of Dave Matthews Band ... Morgan Stanley... \$10,000 to \$24,999: The Acorn Foundation..."
- ▶ 2019 annual report, Innocence Project: "\$1,000,000+: ... Lakeshore Foundation... \$250,000: ... Sean Parker... \$25,000 – \$49,999: ... Nathan Cummings Foundation..."

## **Institute for Public Accuracy**

- ▶ [accuracy.org/about-us/](http://accuracy.org/about-us/) (accessed: December 1, 2016): *"The Institute for Public Accuracy was founded in mid-1997 by Norman Solomon with the support of a two-year \$100,000-per-year Public Interest Pioneer grant from the Stern Family Fund. ...*

*IPA increases the reach and capacity of progressive and grassroots organizations (at no cost to them) to address public policy by getting them and their ideas into the mainstream media. IPA gains media access for those whose voices are commonly excluded or drowned out by government or corporate-backed institutions. ...*

*Funders of the Institute for Public Accuracy include: ... - [Park Foundation](#) ... - Stewart Mott Charitable Trust ... - Wallace Global Fund ... - Caipirinha Foundation [also financed [Project Censored](#)]."*

- ▶ [rbf.org/grantees/institute-public-accuracy](http://rbf.org/grantees/institute-public-accuracy) (accessed: December 1, 2016): *"[[Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#).] \$35,000 for 1 year. Awarded: February 8, 2008 ... December 14, 2006 [and] December 16, 2004..."*
- ▶ 2002, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): *"Other beneficiaries: ... [Institute for Public Accuracy](#) (\$50,000)..."*
- ▶ [discoverthenetworks.org/groupProfile.asp?gpid=6465](http://discoverthenetworks.org/groupProfile.asp?gpid=6465) (accessed: December 1, 2016): *"A member organization of the United for Peace and Justice anti-war coalition, IPA receives funding from the Arca Foundation, ... the Ford Foundation, the [New World Foundation](#), the [Open Society Institute](#), the [Park](#)*

*Foundation, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Schumann Center for Media and Democracy, the Stewart Mott Charitable Trust... "*

- ▶ ExposeFacts.org is a project of the Institute for Public Accuracy:
  - ▶ [Exposefacts.org/about-exposefacts/](http://Exposefacts.org/about-exposefacts/) (accessed: December 1, 2016): *"Launched by the Institute for Public Accuracy in June 2014, ExposeFacts.org represents a new approach for encouraging whistleblowers..."*
  - ▶ [Exposefacts.org/advisory-board-bios/](http://Exposefacts.org/advisory-board-bios/) (accessed: December 1, 2016): *"ExposeFacts Advisory Board Biographical Information: ... William Binney ... [Andrew Cockburn](#) ... Thomas Drake ... [Daniel Ellsberg](#) ... Keith Alexander Gray [author of *The Decline of Black Politics — From Malcolm X to Barack Obama, and Waiting for Lightning to Strike: The Fundamentals of Black Politics*] ... Dahr Jamail [relatively famous independent (instead of imbedded) Iraq reporter 2003-2005 and anti-Iraq War activist; regularly awarded by Project Censored; frequent Truthout reporter 2008-2011, 2014-; reporter Al Jazeera; contributor Huffington Post; frequent guest Democracy Now!; guest Alex Jones Show and RT; these days a Climate Change doomsday reporter] ... Hugh Kaufman [senior policy analyst U.S. APA;] ... Margaret Kimberley [contributor AlterNet and Counterpunch] ... John Kiriakou [CIA operations officer] ... Ray McGovern ... [Robert Parry](#) ... J. Kirk Wiebe .. "*
  - ▶ [Exposefacts.org/exposefacts-editorial-board/](http://Exposefacts.org/exposefacts-editorial-board/) (accessed: December 1, 2016): *"ExposeFacts Editorial Board: ... [Barbara Ehrenreich](#) ... Additionally, the Freedom of the Press Foundation has agreed to provide major assistance to IPA..."*

## Institute for Policy Studies (IPS)

- ▶ Founded in 1963 by Marcus Raskin, an aide to JFK/LBJ national security advisor McGeorge Bundy ([Yale Skull & Bones](#); president Ford Foundation 1966-1979; Carnegie Corp. scholar-in-residence 1990-1996); and Richard Barnet, an aide to David Rockefeller mentor and [Pilgrims Society](#) member John McCloy ([chair Chase National Bank 1953-1960](#); chair CFR 1953-1970; chair Rockefeller Foundation 1946-1949, 1953-1958; chair Ford Foundation 1958-1964) at the State Department. From the very beginning the Institute for Policy Studies was a center of anti-Vietnam War activism and throughout the years has been financed by millions upon millions from foundations as Rockefeller, Ford, Soros and others.
  - ▶ September 25, 2013, The Nation, 'Happy 50th Anniversary, IPS!': *"The Institute for Policy Studies, an invaluable fount of progressive ideas and action, marks its fiftieth anniversary this month. The roll of its past and*

present scholars and associates reflects the richness of America's independent left, including Richard Barnet and Marcus Raskin, IPS's founders, as well as ... Robert Borosage... The Nation has enjoyed a long and deep relationship with IPS and its fellows. Raskin and Wilkins have sat for many years on our editorial board, helping to guide our reporting, with Ehrenreich joining more recently. Katrina vanden Heuvel, The Nation's publisher and editor, is a member of the IPS board, and IPS fellows and associates have been frequent contributors to The Nation. ...

IPS was formed just as New Frontier idealism was beginning to curdle into Vietnam War disillusion. It was the brainchild of Raskin and Barnet, then brilliant young officials in the Kennedy administration. The legend is that they met when **John McCloy**, the dean of the establishment, opened a meeting on arms control attended by Pentagon officials, national security mandarins and military contractors by saying, "If this group cannot achieve disarmament, no one can." Marc and Dick, the only two who laughed at the absurdity of the statement, bonded—and went on to create the institute. Its start-up funding came from Sears heir **Philip Stern**, banking heir **James Warburg** and Faberge cosmetics founder Samuel Rubin, later supplemented by a generous endowment from Wall Street whiz Daniel Bernstein. IPS refused to take money from the government, to be free to "speak truth to power." ...

In 1974, IPS founded the Transnational Institute, in Amsterdam (Letelier was its director before his assassination), which, among other initiatives, provided ideas and energy for the European revolt against nuclear weapons. The Transnational Institute also developed, with Jamaica's Michael Manley and Tanzania's Julius Nyerere, the case for a New International Economic Order, torpedoed by Reagan after his 1980 election. IPS's William Arkin did path-breaking work exposing the scope of the nuclear weapons complex, while the institute sponsored an exchange with Mikhail Gorbachev after he became the Soviet leader in 1985, exploring unconventional disarmament ideas.

Alongside its development of critical thinking, **IPS ... helped provide initial support for Mother Jones magazine**. Susan George became a leader of the global movement against the global trade regime. Roger Wilkins sparked the Free South Africa Movement. Robert Borosage founded the Center for National Security Studies and the Campaign for America's Future. ...

Through the years, the institute has often paid the harsh

price that comes from questioning official folly. Raskin, along with Benjamin Spock, William Sloane Coffin and others, was prosecuted for challenging the Vietnam War draft and earned a place on Nixon's enemies list. The FBI dispatched more than seventy agents to infiltrate the institute, attend seminars, intercept mail, search garbage and reconstruct typewriter ribbons. The CIA opened the institute's mail. The most brutal attack of all was, of course, the car-bomb murder of Letelier and IPS development associate Ronni Karpen Moffitt. The IPS response, under the leadership of Landau, was to prove to the FBI and the world that the Chilean secret police had targeted Letelier; eventually several of the killers, including the head of the Chilean secret police, would be convicted of the assassination. In the 1980s, right-wing legislators combined with neoconservative McCarthyites to slur IPS as an "apologist for Soviet expansionism." The institute's response was to create the Washington School, welcoming thousands of federal officials and congressional aides to evening classes taught by leaders of Congress, the Washington media and prominent intellectuals.

Even as IPS was being surveilled and slimed, the right flattered it through imitation, with the Heritage Foundation created explicitly to counter IPS's influence. Today, Heritage provides a multimillion-dollar home for the New Right; the American Enterprise Institute is a center for the Fortune 500; the Brookings Institution, for executive branch managers; and the Center for American Progress, for the Wall Street wing of the Democratic Party. On a much smaller budget, IPS remains, in the words of I.F. Stone, the "institute for the rest of us."

- ▶ October 8, 1973, Lawrence Journal-World, William F. Buckley Jr. (originally for the Washington Star Syndicate), 'Buchanan Punctures Probe of Watergate': "The New York Times, in high hysteria over the devastating performance of Buchanan, excreted an editorial called "Anatomy of a Smear" [denouncing Buchanan] saying that the foundations in this country are, for the most part, left-minded, and tend to favor left-minded people and enterprises. Buchanan then named the Ford Foundation, its support for the Institute for Policy Studies, and the IPS's support of an underground-type radical paper called the "Quicksilver Times." Well, it transpires that the Ford Foundation only gave a few thousand dollars to IPS, back in 1964, and that IPS hasn't given any money to "Quicksilver Times."

▶ IPS people:

- ▶ 1999 annual report, IPS, p. 22: "Board of Trustees: ...

*Harry Belafonte [joined in late 1990s] ... Robert L. Borosage ... Lisa Fuentes ... Nancy Lewis: Homeless activist... Katrina vanden Heuvel ... Marcus Raskin ... John Cavanagh..."*

- ▶ [ips-dc.org/board.htm](http://ips-dc.org/board.htm) (accessed: April 29, 2003): *"IPS Board of Directors: ... Barbara Ehrenreich."*
- ▶ [docsouth.unc.edu](http://docsouth.unc.edu), Interview with Leslie W. Dunbar, December 8, 1972. Interview G-0075, Southern Oral History Program Collection (#4007): *"There was this son of a bitch, this guy who was working for the CIA, Mitchell Rogovin. I'm sure you know him. He was the CIA's guy within the Internal Revenue Service, and then represented the CIA before the Church Committee. He had become a big liberal lawyer in Washington, doing all the legal work for people like the Institute for Policy Studies, and Highlander. He was over at the Internal Revenue Service, and DeWind and I went over to see him about the tax exemption for this new project. That was the only time I ever worked with him. ... It's just not so [Jack Anderson's accusations that SRC was given CIA money]. I never really think one should need to counter that kind of stuff. ... As far as I know, the truth of that CIA money is that the Norman Foundation [which I also ran] did take some CIA money as a conduit for some things that the CIA was doing in Africa."*
- ▶ [ips-dc.org/projects/senior](http://ips-dc.org/projects/senior) (accessed: January 4, 2006): *"In late 1999, IPS began assembling a network of well-known progressive scholars and theoreticians to enlarge and enrich the Institute's work. ... Senior Scholars participate through periodic gatherings, collaborations with existing IPS projects, and a worldwide electronic network, and have access to office space at IPS when in Washington. IPS Senior Scholars 2002: Bob Alvarez is a former Department of Energy senior official and directs IPS's Nuclear Policy project. ... Maude Barlow ... Norman Birnbaum ... Noam Chomsky ... Barbara Ehrenreich ... [Pentagon-no-planer] Richard Falk ... Xabier Gorostiaga [is] currently Executive Secretary of the Jesuit universities of Latin America. Andrew Levine [University of Maryland] ... Gay McDougall ... Jack O'Dell [was] Director of international issues for the Rainbow Coalition. Vandana Shiva... [Pentagon-no-planer] Gore Vidal"*
- ▶ [ips-dc.org/about/staff-and-board/](http://ips-dc.org/about/staff-and-board/) (accessed: September 29, 2018): *"Board of Trustees: Harry Belafonte ... Danny Glover ... Katrina vanden Heuvel ... Robert L. Borosage ... John Cavanagh, Board Director [and] Executive Director... Barbara Ehrenreich..."*

- ▶ Leon Panetta, CIA director 2009-2011, was an ally of the IPS

back in the 1970s and 1980s when he was a congressman from California (1977-1993):

- ▶ November 1983 issue, American Opinion, 'Moscow's Friends at The Institute for Policy Studies': *"The congressional supporters for the Institute for Policy Studies included many of those who biennially commission I.P.S. to produce an "Alternative" Budget that dramatically cuts defense spending while increasing the spending for social welfare to levels only dreamed of by Karl Marx. In this pact of I.P.S. intimates [are] such luminaries as ... Leon Panetta (D.-California), Chairman of the Budget Process Task Force."*
- ▶ June 11, 2011, The New American, 'Leon Panetta and the Institute for Policy Studies': *"As a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Rep. Panetta voted in the following manner on Defense issues: - NAY on the reaffirmation of the Mutual Defense Treaty with Taiwan. - YEA on continuing foreign aid to the Sandinista government of Communist Nicaragua. - YEA on extending most favored nation status to the Soviet Union and Warsaw Pact states. - YEA on ceding control of the Panama Canal to the pro-Soviet Panamanian government."*

*Earlier that year, on June 5, 1983, the IPS gave a video presentation of a film entitled Target Nicaragua, accusing the CIA and American-backed anti-Sandinista freedom fighters, or "Contras," of committing atrocities against innocent Nicaraguan citizens. The one-sided propaganda film omitted any mentions of the atrocities committed by the communist Sandinista government and neglected to inform the viewer of the government's role as a Soviet proxy in the Western Hemisphere, fully backed by Moscow and Havana. The film was presented to the IPS' liberal allies in Congress.*

*The following month, on July 19, 1983, on the floor of the House, Rep. Panetta condemned the "U.S.-sponsored covert action against Nicaragua," stating that it was "among the most dangerous aspects of the [Reagan] administration's policy in Central America."*

- ▶ Role of CFR member and future national security advisor Anthony Lake in IPS, as well as that of founding [Trilateral Commission](#) member Paul Warnke:
  - ▶ July 30, 1986, Washington Post, 'The Left Stuff: IPS': *"Paul Warnke, who was chairman of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and later [in the 1980s] an IPS board member, says, "Carter and his group didn't understand Washington. It didn't surprise me that IPS didn't have much influence. Almost nobody had influence."*

- ▶ 1987, Dr. S. Powell, 'Covert Cadre', pp. 17, 57: *"Another disarmament group active on Capitol Hill, the Council for a Livable World (CLW), was founded by onetime IPS associate fellow and trustee Leo Szilard... CLW's honorary chairman, Jerome Wiesner, was once an IPS trustee, and CLW board member Paul Warnke is a current IPS trustee."*
- ▶ November 17, 2005, tni.org, 'IPS at 20 years': *"The night was April 5, 1983... It celebrates its 20th anniversary, the Institute for Policy Studies... The evening's highlight was an affectionate 'roasting' of IPS co-founders Marcus Raskin and Richard J. Barnet by novelist Rita Mae Brown, Congressmen Ron Dellums and Robert Kastenmeier, Ralph Nader, George McGovern and activist Cora Weiss. The master of ceremonies was Paul Warnke, negotiator of the Salt II agreement with the Soviet Union and a [past] member of the IPS Board of Trustees."*
- ▶ 1987, Dr. S. Powell, 'Covert Cadre', pp. 17, 57: *"IPS also founded the Center for National Security Studies [CNSS], and has worked closely with the Center for Defense Information [CDI] and the Center for International Policy [CIP] --three groups sponsored by the Fund for Peace, which, as noted above, shares an interlocking directorate with IPS's chief sponsor, the Samuel Rubin Foundation, presumably facilitate the cooperation between the two. Peter Weiss, IPS chairman of the board and vice president of the Rubin Foundation, has served on the executive committee of the board of trustees of the Fund for Peace, and J. Sinclair Armstrong has served as chairman of the board for both the Fund for Peace and the Samuel Rubin Foundation. In addition to receiving funding from other large foundations like the J. Roderick Mac Arthur Foundation, the Ford Foundation, and the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, IPS receives money from smaller ones: the Janss Foundation, DJB Foundation, ARCA Foundation, Bydale Foundation, W. Alton Jones Foundation, Playboy Foundation, Shalan Foundation, San Francisco Foundation, and New World Foundation; as well as from the World Council of Churches. (See Appendix 1 for listing of IPS's financial backers.) Although it is impossible to know precisely what motivates some of these donors, they clearly feel a certain antipathy toward the political and economic institutions of the United States. Daniel J. Bernstein, who founded the DJB Foundation and whose will bequeathed IPS a million dollars upon his death, was quoted as saying that "the chief enemy of mankind" is "the injustice of governments and of the United States in particular." ...*



CNSS launched its activities with a two-day conference on September 12 and 13, 1974, in the Russell Senate Office Building. Sens. Edward Brook (R-Mass.), Phillip Hart (D-Mich.), and James Abourezk (D-S.Dak.), and Rep. Michael Harrington (D-Mass.) lent credibility to the proceedings and papers presented by chairing various panels during the two-day conference. The proceeding amounted to a trial of the CIA, which was assumed guilty of various crimes...

The first day's panel discussions were chaired by people almost entirely hostile to the CIA: "The Structure and Function of the Intelligence Community" was chaired by Victor Marchetti and John Marks; "Covert Operations and Decision Making," by David Wise; "Surreptitious Entry" by David Ross; and "The CIA and Watergate" by Walter Pincus.

The next day's offerings were: "Covert Operations and Decision Making," chaired by [\[latter Soros employee\]](#) Morton Halperin and [\[CFR member and future National Security Advisor who Clinton nominated to be CIA director\]](#) Anthony Lake, Sen. Frank Church's legislative aide; "Technology of Intelligence," led by Herbert Scoville, the director of the Arms Control Association, Jeremy Stone of the Federation of American Scientists, and Nancy Stein of NACLA; and "The CIA and the Constitution," chaired by Robert Borosage, director of CNSS, and Melvin Wulf, general counsel to the ACLU.

The hostility of the conference reached its height that afternoon when William Colby was subjected to a twenty-five-minute harangue by Pentagon Papers thief Daniel Ellsberg. The conference ended with a panel, "The Dirty Tricks Gap," " " chaired by Richard Barnet, [\[Trilateral Commission member\]](#) Paul Warnke, and Neil Sheehan, the New York Times Pentagon Papers reporter. Barnet's paper, "Dirty Tricks and the Intelligence Underworld," embodied the sentiments of most of those present. He recommended the complete dismantling of the "covert intelligence arm," explaining that spies in the Kremlin were "unlikely to produce reliable information," and tended to jeopardize detente. [10]

Lake had been associated with Leletier at the Center for International Policy, a research/advocacy group criticizing human rights violations in countries friendly toward the United States. Letelier had also flown Rep. Michael Harrington to Mexico with World Peace Council money to give the opening remarks at a Popular Unity strategy conference."

- ▶ [millercenter.org/the-presidency/presidential-oral-histories/anthony-lake-oral-history-2004](http://millercenter.org/the-presidency/presidential-oral-histories/anthony-lake-oral-history-2004) (accessed: May

4, 2020; words of Anthony Lake): "A number of conservatives around town, who—going back to when I had resigned over the Cambodian invasion [as Kissinger's assistant in 1969-1970,] thought that I was a threat to the Republic... or that I was a part of the Institute for Policy Studies, because I had once done a seminar there for a friend. Not a seminar, just a one-evening session. Otherwise, I had no contact with that, but I was a part of the "dangerous IPS.""

- ▶ 1983, Jerry Wayne Sanders, 'Peddlers of Crisis: The Committee on the Present Danger and the Politics of Containment', p. 182: "Lake's experience with war planning led him to resign from *future Trilateral Commission member* Henry Kissinger's staff in opposition to the invasion of Cambodia in 1970. Since that time Lake had co-authored several "new international order" articles with [*future CFR president and Trilateral Commission member*] Leslie Gelb, who had worked for [*founding Trilateral Commission member Paul*] Warnke in the Pentagon..."
- ▶ February 5, 1993, EIR, 'Who's who in the Clinton administration': "During the Carter administration [1977-1981], [Anthony Lake] served as the State Department's director of policy planning, where he reported to Warren Christopher, and his deputy was Samuel R.I ("Sandy") Berger, who is slated to be his deputy at the national security council."
- ▶ 2015, Helene Dieck and Richard J. Finneran, 'The Influence of Public Opinion on Post-Cold War U.S. Military Interventions', p. 118: "Strobe Talbott, deputy secretary of state, and [Clinton's 1993-1997 national security advisor] Anthony Lake began a series of meetings with Aristide. [Clinton's reluctance to intervene] increased the number of Haitian refugees. Strobe Talbott, [1993-1997 deputy national security advisor] Sandy Berger, and Anthony Lake were pushing for the use of force."
- ▶ IPS financing:
  - ▶ 1999 annual report, IPS, p. 20: "Supporters: The Institute for Policy Studies' 1999 work was made possible by support from nearly 1000 individuals and foundations. We would like to recognize in particular the following high donors: ...  
 AFL-CIO ... ARCA Foundation ... Nathan Cummings Foundation. Drug Policy Foundation. ... Ford Foundation. ... Peter Gabriel ... HKH Foundation ... JKW Foundation ... Norman Lear Family Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation ... Mott Foundation ... Mott Charitable Trust ... Paul Newman ... Samuel Rubin Foundation ... Turner Foundation..."

- ▶ [undueinfluence.com/ips.htm](http://undueinfluence.com/ips.htm) (accessed: December 5, 2015): *"Grants to IPS - 20 most recent grants of 145 total grants [to the Institute for Policy Studies]:*
  - Ford Foundation ... \$20,000 ... 2001. ...
  - Ford Foundation ... \$75,000 ... 2001 ...
  - Turner Foundation ... \$65,000 ... 2000 ...
  - Rockefeller Foundation ... \$200,000 ... 2000 ...
  - Turner Foundation, Inc. ... \$50,000 ... 1999. ...
  - Rockefeller Brothers Fund ... \$100,000 ... 2000...
  - Ford Foundation Abstract: ... \$150,000 ... 2000...
  - Ford Foundation ... \$83,370 ... 2000...
  - Mott Foundation ... \$100,000 ... 2000...
  - Mott Foundation ... \$38,400 ... 2000...
  - MacArthur Foundation ... \$50,000 ... 2000...."
- ▶ George Soros Open Society Foundations grants to IPS:
  - ▶ [opensocietyfoundations/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/institute-for-policy-studies](http://opensocietyfoundations/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/institute-for-policy-studies)(accessed: December 5, 2015): *"Institute for Policy Studies (US). Year: 2009. Amount: \$50,000. Term: 2 years."*
  - ▶ [opensocietyfoundations/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/institute-for-policy-studies-us](http://opensocietyfoundations/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/institute-for-policy-studies-us)(accessed: December 5, 2015): *"Institute for Policy Studies (US). Year: 2012. Location: Washington, D.C. Amount: \$25,000. Term: One year."*
- ▶ Harold K. Hochschild Foundation (in existence 1980-2012) of the Hochschild family, which founded Mother Jones, finances all the same NGOs: [hkhfoundation.org/grantees](http://hkhfoundation.org/grantees) (accessed: November 30, 2011): *"Institute for Policy Studies ... People for the American Way..."*
- ▶ April 3, 2003, Washington Times, 'Foundation Cash Funds Antiwar Movement': *"The Institute for Policy Studies, a left-wing think tank, has released a drumbeat of antiwar essays in recent months. The institute has a \$2.2 million budget for 2003 provided by the Turner, Ford, MacArthur and Charles Stewart Mott foundations, among others. The brunt of the peace funding, says institute director John Cavannagh, is being done by smaller foundations able to quickly shift funds from other programs. "Individual peace groups have all gone out and raised funds," he says. "It's a lot of money, but I don't know how much. There's a pooling of resources between peace groups I've not seen before, which explains the large numbers of demonstrations and peace marches created." For instance, the institute's 2002 foreign policy budget of \$400,000, which includes antiwar activism, received \$50,000 from the HKH Foundation, \$50,000 from the Arca Foundation, \$20,000*

*from the Samuel Rubin Foundation, \$15,000 from the Solidago Foundation and \$50,000 from the MacArthur Foundation."*

► Transnational Institute people:

- [tni.org/en/profile/andrew-marshall](http://tni.org/en/profile/andrew-marshall) (accessed: May 23, 2020): *"Andrew Gavin Marshall is a freelance researcher and writer based in Montreal, Canada. He has written for a number of publications, including AlterNet, TruthOut, CounterPunch, Roarmag, and Occupy[.com, against the "banksters" of the International Monetary Conference and such], among others, and has done a number of radio and television interviews, including with Russia Today, APTN and CBC Radio."*

## Indymedia

- Originated during the Seattle anti-WTO protests worldwide in 1999 and remains closely associated with the global justice movement, which criticizes neo-liberalism and its associated institutions.

- July 26, 2005, AlterNet (Soros-financed), 'What's the Matter with Indymedia?': *"In the last week of November 1999, a news website run entirely by volunteers was launched. "Don't hate the media; be the media" was the battle cry of hundreds of people who converged in Seattle to bring about the birth of the Independent Media Center (IMC, or Indymedia). The project promised the democratization of the media... Almost 6 years on, there are 149 Indymedia websites in about 45 countries on 6 continents. ... Despite having no advertising budget, no brand recognition, no corporate sponsorship, and no celebrity reporters, it received 1.5 million hits in its first week--more than CNN got in the same time. ...*

*Since more than 450 people got IMC press passes (and scores more reported from their homes), they provided coverage of the historic protests from every block of downtown Seattle. ...*

*The Portland IMC has hosted at least 7 articles by or in support of antisemitic cult leader Lyndon LaRouche, the most recent from April of this year. This, combined with the frequency of conspiracy theories about 9/11, mixed in with the occasional nostalgic ode to Kurt Cobain or oddball spoof on the fundamentalist-Rapturist Left Behind book series, seriously undermines the Portland site's usefulness."*

- Indymedia was heavily focused on corporate exploitation, Third World political repression and climate change. The last few news updates from [Indymedia.org](http://Indymedia.org) in November 2013:

- ▶ November 29, 2013, Indymedia, 'Indonesian police use Shootings, killings, beatings, arrests on West Papuan independence rallies'.
- ▶ November 22, 2013, Indymedia, 'Civil Society stages mass walkout protest from Warsaw Climate change negotiations': *"Civil society organisations abandoned the COP19 climate change negotiations in Warsaw on mass. Members from Greenpeace, Oxfam, WWF, Actionaid, Friends of the Earth, the International Trade Union Confederation (statement) and 350.org all started leaving the conference at 2pm. This is an unprecedented action, the first time several major civil society groups have staged a mass walkout."*
- ▶ [Free Speech TV](#) is the parent TV company for outlets as Indymedia and [Democracy Now!](#). Free Speech TV has received grants from foundations as Soros, Ford, [Rockefeller](#), [MacArthur](#) and more.
- ▶ George Soros was among the early financiers of Indymedia, along with a few small grants of the Tides Foundation, at a time when the incoming Bush administration needed protesting. After that, the group and its websites didn't evolve, except at the local level here and there, such as in Baltimore in 2008 after a Soros fellowship was offered.  
Despite its numerous branches around the world, Indymedia always has been ineffective. It's too democratic and as a result, internal struggles with lower level staff or local branches led to the refusal of crucial Ford Foundation and Knight Foundation grants. It appears there are individuals within Indymedia who are trusted by the large foundations, but at the same time that the group is too democratic to be effective. Certainly Indymedia never published hard-hitting news. It also has a terrible webdesign. Unsurprisingly, various branches of Indymedia have attracted Neo-Nazis and Holocaust denial theories.
- ▶ 2000, Form 990, [Open Society Institute](#): *"Independent Media Center. ... To support the creation of the Los Angeles Independent Media Center. 27-Jul-00. \$10,000."*
- ▶ October 27, 2004, Accuracy in Media, 'The Hidden Soros Agenda: Drugs, Money, the Media, and Political Power': *"OSI has contributed \$70,000 toward the far-left Independent Media Center, or Indymedia..."*
- ▶ Fall 2009, newsletter of Open Society Institute Baltimore, 'Audacious Thinking', p. 6: *"The Independent Reader began in 2005 with a group of volunteers, including members of the Baltimore Independent Media Center [Indymedia], leading its editorial direction. After becoming a 2007 OSI-Baltimore Community Fellow, Petr became the newspaper's first full-time staffer, allowing the fledgling newspaper to grow into a popular honor-supported organization with more than 5,000*

readers and a presence on the Web. The free newspaper is distributed in barber shops, coffee shops, community organizations and other locales throughout Baltimore."

- ▶ Incorrect? February 11, 2003, Frontpage Magazine, 'Subversion in Bush Country': *"The Chronicle of Philanthropy reported [on November 15, 2001] that the Tides Center had given the Independent Media Center \$376,000, ironically, from its "9/11 fund." The Independent Media Center serves as an organizing outpost for protests and was the virtual staging ground for the April 20, 2002, anti-war protest in Washington."* This appears to be incorrect information, with Indymedia only having received one \$5,000 grant from the Tides Foundation in 2002.
- ▶ [Tides Foundation](#) grants lists:
  - ▶ Annual report 2001-2002: *"DC Independent Media Center. \$5,000."*
  - ▶ Tides grants 2004 list: *"New York City Independent Media Center \$1,000.00."*
  - ▶ Tides grants 2005 list: *"Independent Media Center. \$2,544.00."*
- ▶ [indymedia.org/en/2008/11/917045.shtml](http://indymedia.org/en/2008/11/917045.shtml): *"A \$200,000 grant proposal, submitted by a group of Indymedia volunteers to the Knight News Challenge contest, has been blocked by other IMCs and subsequently dropped due to the abiding ethos that Indymedia is a counter to corporate, money-flaxted media entities. The grant application to the [Knight Foundation](#) was to fund technical development work for Independent Media Centres (IMCs), also known as Indymedia, and has caused much controversy within the global network. ... This is not the first time funding has caused controversy within Indymedia, which strives to maintain its independence and anti-corporate stance. In September 2002, the notorious [Ford Foundation](#) proposed to fund an Indymedia regional meeting. The proposal was eventually rejected as many IMC volunteers, particularly some from Argentina, were uncomfortable with accepting money from 'such a dodgy organisation', which is believed to have links to the CIA."*
- ▶ [docs.indymedia.org/pub/Local/Dakar2011FoundationsList/foundations.pdf](http://docs.indymedia.org/pub/Local/Dakar2011FoundationsList/foundations.pdf): *"Prospective Donors for WSF Independent Media Convergence Center. Foundations: ... Open Society Institute-Africa Program ... Atlantic Philanthropies ... Ford Foundation media Group ... Knight Foundation. Suggested by Rabble. ... Omidyar Network. Ebay. They have funded the Independent. ... Tides Foundation. Suggested by a friend of Nica. Transnational Institute. Suggested by Amy Wolf. Money is from Readers Digest. She has a personal contact there and would be willing to forward a note with the appeal."*

- ▶ 2004 documentary film about the Bush administration's lies to bring about the second Iraq War in 2003 (manipulations which were very obvious to see since 9/11).
- ▶ Documentary produced by Robert Greenwald of the Ford, Open Society (Soros), Tides, Park, Arca, etc. foundations-financed [Brave New Films](#).
- ▶ The documentary starts out with the notice "[Moveon.org](#) and the Center for American Progress present" - two NGOs that, certainly in this period, received key financing from George Soros.
- ▶ [PunkVoter.com](#) was deeply involved in the spreading of the film in the run up to the 2004 elections.
- ▶ A list of experts featured in *Uncovered* reveals many involved in conspiracy and the spreading of disinformation on [CIA drug trafficking](#) and [9/11](#) (meaning they are not independent activists at all): "
  - **Milt Bearden:** *former head of the CIA's Soviet/Eastern European Division and Station Chief in Pakistan [and long-time friend of globalist actor [Robert De Niro](#)]. ...*
  - **Rand Beers:** *Former Special Assistant to the President and National Security Council Senior Director to combat terrorism.*
  - ...
  - **Graham Fuller:** *Former Vice Chairman of the National Intelligence Council at the CIA [and closely tied to the 2013 Boston Bombing]. ...*
  - **Karen Kwiatkowski:** *Former Air Force Lt. Colonel, office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Near East South Asia and Special Plans [and one of 6 VIPS founding steering group members in Jan. 2003; and 9/11-no-plane disinformers]. ...*
  - **Patrick Lang:** *Former Chief of Middle East intelligence at the Defense Intelligence Agency. ...*
  - **Dr. David C. MacMichael:** *13 year CIA Analyst [who co-founded the anti-Iraq War VIPS in Jan. 2003 and in the past was a Christic Institute researcher disinforming on CIA drug trafficking who in addition disinformed a willing Mike Ruppert in 1993 with files about the Albert Carone CIA drug trafficking case]. ...*
  - **Ray McGovern:** *Former Chairman of the National Intelligence estimate, responsible for the President's daily brief [and one of 6 VIPS founding steering group members in Jan. 2003]. ...*
  - **Bill Christison:** *Former CIA Director of the Office of Regional and Political Analysis [and one of 6 VIPS founding steering group members in Jan. 2003; and 9/11-no-plane disinformers]. ...*
  - **David Corn:** *Washington Editor of the ["liberal CIA"-funded] [Nation Magazine](#). ...*
  - **Chas Freeman:** *Former Assistant Secretary of Defense and Ambassador to Saudi Arabia [and major anti-neocon superclass member]. ...*
  - **John Dean:** *Former White House Counsel to President Richard Nixon. ...*
  - **Robert Baer:** *Former CIA operative who served in Iraq and*

Lebanon...

- **Scott Ritter:** *Former Marine Captain and UN weapons inspector in Iraq from 1991-1998. ...*

- **Mel Goodman:** *20 year Senior CIA Analyst [1966-1986]. ...*

- **Admiral Stansfield Turner:** *Former Director of the CIA and Commander of the Second Fleet [long-time friend of Jimmy Carter who, as CIA director, booted out Ted Shackley and the pro-Mossad/neocon wing]. ...*

- **Joe Wilson:** *23 years Foreign Service [husband of globalist CIA operative Valerie Plame]"*

## Linux: Ubuntu

- ▶ Linux Ubuntu was founded in 2004 by South African billionaire Mark Shuttleworth.
- ▶ In 2001 the Shuttleworth Foundation was founded. It finances a lot of the same projects as other "liberal CIA" foundations, with Shuttleworth having co-founded the carbon War Room with the globalist Richard Branson in 2009:
  - ▶ October 27, 2006, Cory Doctorow at boingboing.net, 'Cory's old EFF job in Europe is up for grabs': *"My old job, European Affairs Coordinator of the [Rockefeller, Omidyar, etc.-funded] [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#), is up for grabs! ... The position is jointly funded by Ubuntu founder Mark Shuttleworth and George Soros's [Open Society Initiative](#)."*
  - ▶ carbonwarroom.com/about-us/who-we-are/founders (accessed: March 22, 2012): *"Richard Branson...*
    - *Boudewijn Poelmann: Chairman of Dutch Postcode Lottery. ...*
    - *[Top African globalist] Strive Masiyiwa: ... In 2003 he joined the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) Board of Trustees. ...*
    - *Mark Shuttleworth: Founder of the [Linux] Ubuntu Project... He sold Thawte to US company VeriSign in 1999, and founded HBD Venture Capital and The Shuttleworth Foundation. He moved to London in 2001, and began preparing for the First African in Space mission, training in Star City, Russia, and Kazakhstan. In April 2002 Mark flew in space, as a cosmonaut member of the crew of Soyuz mission TM34 to the International Space Station. In early 2004 he founded the Ubuntu project, which aims to produce a free, high quality desktop OS for everybody."*
  - ▶ fundsforngos.org/foundation-funds-for-ngos-page/ (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"Asia Foundation ... Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation ... Mott Foundation ... Ford Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation ... New World Foundation ... Open Society Institute ... Packard*



*Foundation ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund. Rockefeller Foundation. Sasakawa Peace Foundation. Shuttleworth Foundation..."*

- ▶ [unisa.ac.za/sites/corporate/default/Unisa-Open/OER-Funding](http://unisa.ac.za/sites/corporate/default/Unisa-Open/OER-Funding) (accessed: December 29, 2019): *"Andrew W. Mellon Foundation ... Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation ... Carnegie Corporation ... Ford Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation ... Open Society Foundations ... Rockefeller Foundation ... Shuttleworth Foundation ... Hewlett Foundation."*

## **Moveon.org**

- ▶ MoveOn, founded in 1998, is a U.S.-domestic "new left" activism group that organizes "grassroots" protests and related political actions. Examples of its activities:
  - ▶ [moveon.org](http://moveon.org) front page (accessed: February 11, 2016): *"PHOTOS: Resist Trump Rallies Nationwide, tens of thousands of MoveOn members and others are gathering outside Senate offices, airports, and elsewhere to oppose Trump's cabinet, Muslim ban, and dangerous agenda."*
  - ▶ [moveon.org/about/](http://moveon.org/about/) (accessed: February 11, 2016): *"We are constantly innovating how we organize at scale and work together to win the biggest campaigns of our time—ending the Iraq War, electing Barack Obama president, enacting health care reform, and taking down the Confederate flag from the state house grounds in South Carolina."*
- ▶ December 26, 2003, CNN, 'Soros, groups target Bush': *"Groups including MoveOn.org are banned from coordinating activities with any party or candidate. But they have gained prominence under last year's McCain-Feingold campaign finance act which ended unregulated "soft money" donations. Democrats had relied on soft money to help claw back a Republican advantage in individual donations."*
- ▶ Financing of MoveOn:
  - ▶ October 07, 2004, Frontpage Magazine, 'The Shadow Party: Part II': *"Following [a] September 17, 2003 meeting ... Soros and his associates poured nearly \$6.2 million into MoveOn over a period of six months, according to the Center for Public Integrity. ... \$2.5 million [was] from Peter B. Lewis... \$971,427 from Peter Bing... \$100,000 from Benson & Hedges tobacco heir Lewis Cullman; and \$101,000 from Soros' 34-year-old son Jonathan T. Soros... In December 2003, [Jonathan Soros] collaborated with techno-rocker Moby to organize "Bush in 30 Seconds," an online contest for the best 30-second anti-Bush TV ad. MoveOn agreed to air the winning commercial on*

*national television."*

- ▶ In 2016 financed by the [Ploughshares Fund](#), a front for foundations as [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), the [Hewlett Foundation](#) and Soros' [Open Society Foundations](#).

- ▶ Annual Report 2016, Ploughshares Fund:  
*"Moveon.org Civic Action ... \$175,000.00 [and] To expand and intensify its ad campaign to increase pro-deal [Obama's Iranian nuclear deal] messaging among Hill staffers, journalists and other political influencers, and to provide educational materials for MoveOn members. \$150,000.00."*

- ▶ Anno 2019, Moveon.org continues to be extremely active at Capitol Hill, aiding in the process of getting radical congress member elected:

- ▶ January 3, 2019, Breitbart, 'Rashida Tlaib's First Day in Congress: "We're Gonna Impeach the Motherf\*\*ker."': *"On her first day as a new member of the United States House of Representatives, [Muslim] Rashida Tlaib (D-MI) called on her colleagues to begin taking steps towards impeaching President Trump.*

- Tlaib was fetted at a raucous reception later in the day by left wing advocacy group MoveOn.org. Her closing remarks there were, "We're gonna impeach the motherfucker.""*

## **Mozilla Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 2003, the Mozilla Foundation is the non-profit behind the well-known Mozilla internet browser and Mozilla Thunderbird email system.
- ▶ November 30, 2015, Forbes, 'Mozilla's Money Story Is Like Nothing Else In Silicon Valley': *"Ten major foundations help underwrite the Mozilla Foundation's work, led by the Chicago-based [MacArthur Foundation](#), which contributed \$2.3 million in 2014. Others contributing more than \$500,000 apiece include the [Knight Foundation](#), National Science Foundation, [Ford Foundation](#), National Writing Project, the Irvine Foundation and the Helmsley Charitable Trust."*
- ▶ 2006-2017 Ford Foundation grants list: *"Mozilla Foundation ... 2011: \$300,000. ... 2013: \$300,000. ... 2014: \$180,000 [and] \$550,000. ... 2015: \$233,000 [and] \$3,390,000..."*
- ▶ February 10, 2015, FordFoundation.org, 'Leading foundations join together to launch initiative to build a stronger digital society': *"The new partnership, supported by the Ford Foundation, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Knight Foundation, Open Society Foundations, and Mozilla Foundation..."*
- ▶ Anno 2017 the Mozilla Foundation has a six-member board of

directors:

- ▶ [mozilla.org/en-US/about/leadership/](https://mozilla.org/en-US/about/leadership/) (accessed: Jan. 31, 2024): *"Mozilla Foundation [Over half of the board is non-white and 50% is female]: Mitchell Baker, Chair. Mitchell Baker, Chair. ... Former Board Members: Cathy Davidson ... Reid Hoffman [Bilderberg]. Joi Ito. Mitch Kapor."*
- ▶ **Brian Behlendorf:** UCLA, Berkeley. Key player behind the Apache Software Foundation, founded in 1999. Board member Mozilla Foundation since 2003. Early participant and the chief technology guru for the Burning Man festival. Former CTO Davos / World Economic Forum. Joined the elite-backed [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) board of directors in 2013. Joined the Linux Foundation in 2014.
- ▶ **Joi Ito:** Born in Japan. Godson of [psychedelics](#) guru [Timothy Leary](#). Met [Pierre Omidyar](#) (later of eBay and a key philanthropist) as a computer science major at Tufts. Joined the Mozilla Foundation in August 2005. Also a board member of Sony, the New York Times Company, the [Knight Foundation](#) and the [MacArthur Foundation](#) and the MIT Media Lab.
- ▶ **Cathy Davidson:** Also a member of the board of advisors to the [MacArthur Foundation's](#) "Digital Media and Learning" book series.
- ▶ "Anti-racist" and super="woke":
  - ▶ [mozilla.org/en-US/about/leadership/](https://mozilla.org/en-US/about/leadership/) (accessed: Jan. 31, 2024): *"Senior Leadership: Ramona Blake joins Mozilla as Vice President of Sustainability & Diversity. Ramona is a globally certified diversity professional who has led all facets of DEI strategy within the tech, STEM and fintech spaces. Prior to joining Mozilla, she led Global DEI offices for Autodesk and Mailchimp..."*
  - ▶ [stophateforprofit.org](https://stophateforprofit.org) (accessed: July 15, 2020): *"Hit Pause on Hate Hundreds of businesses are standing in solidarity with our most deeply held American values of freedom, equality and justice and are pausing advertising on Facebook's services. ... #StopHateforProfit. Partners: ADL. Color of Change. ... Free Press. NAACP. ... Mozilla... What would you do with \$70 billion? We know what Facebook did. They allowed incitement to violence against protesters fighting for racial justice in America in the wake of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, Ahmaud Arbery, Rayshard Brooks and so many others. They named Breitbart News a "trusted news source" and made The Daily Caller a "fact checker" despite both publications having records of working with known white nationalists."*
- ▶ Mozilla has been kept alive through a deal with Google:

- ▶ Aug. 6, 2021, Techspot, '46 million people have left Firefox since 2018; From a 30% market share to 3% in just over a decade': *"According to Statcounter, Firefox currently has a 3.45% share of the desktop, mobile, and tablet browser market, sitting behind second-place Safari (18.65%) and the long-time number one, Chrome (65.18%). It's only just above Edge, which has a 3.41% share. ...*

*At the end of 2009 ... Mozilla enjoyed an almost 32% market share, while IE had around 56%. But Firefox's share had halved by mid-2013 as Chrome started its ascension to the top."*

- ▶ August 14, 2020, PC Mag, 'Mozilla Signs Lucrative 3-Year Google Search Deal for Firefox: In return for Google being the default search engine in Firefox, Mozilla is expected to bank \$400M+ a year.'
- ▶ May 5, 2023, Bloomberg, 'Why Has Google Spent a Half-Billion Dollars on Firefox? No, really, why?': *"One thing Mozilla does have going for it is a lot of money—more than \$1 billion in cash reserves, according to its latest financial statement. The primary source of this capital is Google, which pays Mozilla to be the default search engine on the Firefox home page. Those payments, which started in 2005, have been increasing—up 50% over the past decade, to more than \$450 million, even as the total number of Firefox users has plummeted. In 2021 these payments accounted for 83% of Mozilla's revenue."*

## National Security Archive

- ▶ The website of the National Security Archive has a lot of information, mainly based on released government documents, on past U.S. coups and support for death squads and even drug dealers. The archive is closely tied to the [Institute for Policy Studies](#) and the [Center for National Security Studies](#). The archive is financed by dozens of foundations through its National Security Archive Fund.
- ▶ [nsarchive.gwu.edu/nsa/the\\_archive.html](https://nsarchive.gwu.edu/nsa/the_archive.html) (May 1, 2016): *"Founded in 1985 by journalists and scholars to check rising government secrecy, the National Security Archive combines a unique range of functions: investigative journalism center, research institute on international affairs, library and archive of declassified U.S. documents ("the world's largest nongovernmental collection" according to the Los Angeles Times)...*

*Based at George Washington University's Gelman Library, the Archive relies for its \$3 million yearly budget on publication revenues, donations from individuals and grants from*

foundations such as the *Carnegie Corporation of New York*, the *Ford Foundation*, the *John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation*, and the *Open Society Foundations* [Soros]."

► nsarchive.gwu.edu/nsa/support.html (May 1, 2016): "- *Arca Foundation*. - *Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation*. ... - *Bauman Foundation*. ... - *Carnegie Corporation of New York*. ... - *Field Foundation*. - *Ford Foundation*. - *Ford Foundation Program-Related Investment Division*. ... - *German Marshall Fund of the United States*. ... - *William and Flora Hewlett Foundation*. ... - *HKH Foundation*. ... *J. M. Kaplan Fund, Inc.* ... - *John S. and James L. Knight Foundation*. ... - *John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation*. - *J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation*. - *John Merck Fund*. ... - *Stewart R. Mott Charitable Trust*. ... - *New World Foundation*. - *New York Times Company Foundation*. - *Norman Foundation*. ... - *Open Society Fund, Inc.* - *Open Society Institute*. ... - *Park Foundation*. ... - *Christopher Reynolds Foundation*. - *Rockefeller Associates*. - *Rockefeller Family Fund*. - *Rockefeller Foundation*. ... - *Florence and John Schumann Foundation*. ... - *Smith Richardson Foundation*. ... - *Philip M. Stern Family Fund*. ... - *Time, Inc.* - *US-Japan Foundation*. - *Washington Post Company*."

► nsarchive.gwu.edu/nsa/board.html (accessed: August 5, 2016): "Vice Chair: *Nancy E. Soderberg*... former Vice President, International Crisis Group; former U.S. Alternate Representative to the United Nations; former Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs; former Staff Director, National Security Council; appointed Chair of the Public Interest Declassification Board in January 2012... - *Michael Abramowitz* (Director, National Institute for Holocaust Education of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum; former White House Correspondent and National Editor of *The Washington Post*). - *Vivian Schiller* (Former Head of News Partnerships, Twitter; former President, National Public Radio; former Senior Vice President, The New York Times Company; former Senior Vice President, The Discovery Times Channel). - *Cliff Sloan* (Partner, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP; Special Envoy for Guantanamo Closure, United States Department of State, 2013-2014; General Counsel of Washingtonpost/Newsweek Interactive, 2000-2008)..."

*In Memoriam:*

- *Russell Hemenway* [*Foreign Service; advised to get into national politics by Adlai Stevenson; early backer of Senator Eugene McCarthy in 1968; chair Center for National Security Studies; director Population Institute*], Board of Directors Chair, 1999-2014.

- *Dr. John Steinbruner* [*taught political science at MIT, Yale and Harvard; director of foreign policy, security and international studies at the Brookings Institution 1978 to 1996; co-wrote books with two future secretaries of defense: William Perry and Ashton Carter; served as an advisor to Sen. Sam Nunn in the early 1990s*], Board of Advisors, 1985-2015.

- Gen. William Y. Smith [Harvard; staffer to Joint Chiefs chair Gen. Maxwell Taylor and national security advisor McGeorge Bundy early 1960s; fellow Wilson Institute; president Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA)], Board of Directors, 1999-2016.

- Dr. Richard Steckel, Board of Advisors [visiting fellow, All Souls; research associate NBER], 1994-2015."

► [cnss.org/pages/staff.html](http://cnss.org/pages/staff.html) (accessed: August 10, 2016): "Kate Martin joined the Center in 1988 as Director of its Litigation Project. She has served as Director of the Center since 1992, following the departure of Morton H. Halperin. Ms. Martin has taught National Security Law as a Professorial Lecturer at George Washington University Law School and Strategic Intelligence and Public Policy at Georgetown University Law School. She also served as general counsel to the National Security Archive, a research library located at George Washington University from 1995 to 2001."

► October 25, 2001, [Morton Halperin](#) for CFR.org, 'Protecting Civil Liberties at a Time of Crisis': "Morton H. Halperin is a senior fellow of the Council on Foreign Relations. He chairs the advisory board of the Center for National Security Studies [executive director 1977-1992] and is counselor to the Constitution Project and the National Security Archive."

► [nsarchive.gwu.edu/anniversary/](http://nsarchive.gwu.edu/anniversary/) (accessed: August 10, 2016): "Washington, D.C., December 9, 2005 - The National Security Archive celebrates its 20th anniversary today with a special event at George Washington University, headlined by Bill Moyers, with Seymour M. Hersh, Tina Rosenberg, Scott Armstrong, Geneva Overholser, Walter B. Slocombe, Morton H. Halperin and Sherry Jones. ...

- BILL MOYERS has used National Security Archive resources in his documentary journalism work for many years, and has participated in several Archive research and litigation projects. ... For 12 years, Moyers was a trustee of The Rockefeller Foundation and now serves as President of the Schumann Center for Media and Democracy...

- MORTON H. HALPERIN was an original sponsor of the Archive when he was Washington director of the American Civil Liberties Union and director of the Center for National Security Studies. ... He is also the executive director of the Open Society Policy Center and director of U.S. advocacy for the Open Society Institute. ...

- WALTER B. SLOCOMBE is a former chair of the Board of Directors of the National Security Archive. A partner in the law firm of Caplin & Drysdale, he served in Iraq in 2003 as defense adviser to the Coalition Provisional Authority. He served in the Clinton administration as undersecretary of defense for policy from 1993 to 2000. From 1986 to 1993, he consulted for RAND and served on several advisory panels at the Strategic Air Command Technical Advisory Committee. ...

- SCOTT ARMSTRONG conceived of the idea for the National

*Security Archive while working at the Washington Post in 1985 and became the founding director of the organization. ...*  
*- SEYMOUR M. HERSH is a long-time friend of the Archive, where he gives an annual seminar on investigative journalism for Archive staff and interns. One of America's premier investigative reporters, now with the New Yorker, he has won more than a dozen major journalism prizes..."*

## **NSA: Electronic Frontier Foundation**

- ▶ The Electronic Frontier Foundation is a watchdog against government encroachment on online personal liberties and fair use, today more relevant than ever.
- ▶ Founders and leadership:
  - ▶ It was founded in July 1990 by John Gilmore, Mitch Kapor (director [Earth Day Network](#) with Laurance Rockefeller, Ted Turner and Al Gore in 1990) and John Perry Barlow. The latter had been intimately part of Timothy Leary's psychedelic network at the [Millbrook estate](#) (and today is a board member of Edward Snowden's [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#), among other curious ties).
  - ▶ Stewart Brand, who soon joined the EFF's board of directors, came from the same psychedelic network. Today Brand is involved in the Sante Fe Institute, financed by Pierre Omidyar, another curious superclass backer of Edward Snowden through his [The Intercept](#) magazine. Brand also knows Omidyar through their joint involvement in the Edge Foundation's TED Talk-linked [Billionaire's Dinners](#).
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ December 21, 2004, EFF, 'EFF Becomes Omidyar Network Partner': *"The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) is pleased to announce that it has been funded by the Omidyar Network, an organization that invests to help catalyze social change. This investment represents a partnership between two groups sharing key values and beliefs, and, ultimately, the goal of making a positive difference in the world."*
  - ▶ January 18, 2005, Capital Research Center, 'The [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) and Rockefeller Family Fund: How a Great Capitalist's Fortune Came to Fund Anti-Capitalist Causes': *"In 2003-04, most of the grants made by the [Rockefeller Family] Fund had a single purpose—defeating President Bush. The fund did give \$150,000 to Columbia University to support Campaigndesk.org, a nonpartisan source for election reporting. But among the fund's 2003 and 2004 grants were \$25,000 to the Alliance for Justice for "funding to prevent errors in vote counts on*



*electronic voting machines," \$25,000 to the Electronic Frontier Foundation for the same purpose, \$150,000 to the Brennan Center for Justice for "legal redress in states not adequately implementing critical elements of the Help America Vote Act," \$150,000 to [People for the American Way](#) "for the Democracy Now Project"..."*

- ▶ October 27, 2006, Cory Doctorow at [beingboing.net](#), 'Cory's old EFF job in Europe is up for grabs': *"My old job, European Affairs Coordinator of the Electronic Frontier Foundation, is up for grabs! ... The position is jointly funded by Ubuntu founder Mark Shuttleworth and George Soros's [Open Society Initiative](#)."*
- ▶ 2009-2010 annual report of the Electronic Frontier Foundation: *"Ordinary Income: ... Foundation Grants: 962,488,08 ... Foundations: ... Bohemian Foundation... - CS Fund... - Gould Family Foundation... - The Kaplan Foundation. - Mitchell Kapor Foundation. ... - [MacArthur Foundation](#). - [\[Soros'\] Open Society Institute](#). ... - [Tides Foundation](#)..."*
- ▶ May 29, 2019, [eff.org](#), 'EFF Receives \$300,000 Donation from Craig Newmark Philanthropies to Support Threat Lab' ([craigslist Charitable Fund](#)).

## NSA: Electronic Privacy Information Center

- ▶ Founded in 1994, the Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC.org) was established *"to focus public attention on emerging civil liberties issues and to protect privacy."* The main reason it is listed here is because from 1998 to January 2005 [Wayne Madsen](#), later a very prominent [Alex Jones](#)-allied conspiracy disinformant, used to work here as the center's top senior fellow, working alongside the center's decades-long executive director.
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ 2002-2003, EPIC annual report, p. 24: *"Major grants to support the work of EPIC have been received from: ... [Ford Foundation](#) ... [Kellogg Foundation](#) ... [Open Society Institute](#) ... [Rockefeller Family Fund](#)..."*
  - ▶ 2007-2008, EPIC annual report, p. 23: *"Major grants to support the work of EPIC have been received from: [Arca Foundation](#). [Bauman Foundation](#). ... [Carnegie Corporation](#). [Nathan Cummings Foundation](#). ... [Ford Foundation](#). ... [HKH Foundation](#). [W.K. Kellogg Foundation](#). ... [Norman Foundation](#). [Omidyar Network](#). [Open Society Institute](#). ... [Rockefeller Family Fund](#). ... [Scherman Foundation](#)."*
  - ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants list 2006-2016: *"Electronic Privacy Information Center: ... 2006: \$200,000. ... 2007:*



\$225,000."

- ▶ Because Wayne Madsen is a no-planer who believes, as basically pushed by all other "truthers", that Flight 77 didn't impact the Pentagon ([an easily discredited theory](#)) and even that Flight 11 and 175 didn't impact the World Trade Center towers, he has [his biography](#) listed on ISGP's no-plane list. Rest assured that he has been involved in other "liberal CIA" entities, including having his work featured by [Counterpunch](#), [In These Times](#), [CorpWatch](#), [CovertAction Quarterly](#) and [The Progressive](#).
  - ▶ [epic.org/epic/staff\\_and\\_board.html](#) (accessed: December 15, 2004; only 1 of 10 staff members listed with biography): *"Marc Rotenberg, Executive Director... Wayne Madsen, Senior Fellow..."*
  - ▶ April 3, 2000, New York Times, Technology; Some Countries Seek Keys to Digital Code-Scramblers': *"The majority of countries around the world are not interested in controlling encryption," said Wayne Madsen, a senior fellow at the Electronic Privacy Information Center. ... Marc Rotenberg, the center's executive director, said...*

## NSA: Freedom of the Press Foundation

- ▶ Overlaps with the similarly elite-backed [Stand With Snowden](#) group.
- ▶ [freedom.press/about/board](#) (accessed: November 25, 2015): *"Daniel Ellsberg [old right-wing CIA asset-turned-Pentagon Papers whistleblower] ... Edward Snowden [NSA whistleblower] ... Glenn Greenwald [broke the Snowden story; editor The Intercept, financed by superclass billionaire Pierre Omidyar] ... John Cusack ... John Perry Barlow [Grateful Dead songwriter; from psychedelics network] ... Laura Poitras [broke the Snowden story; editor The Intercept, financed by Omidyar] ... Micah Lee [editor The Intercept, financed by Omidyar] ... Rainey Reitman [founder Bradley Manning Support Network; director Internet Defense League] ... Trevor Timm [The Guardian columnist] ... Xeni Jardin..."*
- ▶ [freedom.press/wikileaks](#) (accessed: November 25, 2015): *"In late 2010, in response to unofficial government pressure, VISA, MasterCard and PayPal cut Wikileaks off from receiving donations after Wikileaks started publishing a trove of secret US State Department cables, despite the fact that the its publications were fully protected by the First Amendment. Freedom of the Press takes donations on behalf of Wikileaks..."*
- ▶ December 26, 2012, Freedom of the Press Foundation press release, 'Ten Days and Almost \$120,000: A Breakdown of Our Transparency Journalism Beneficiaries': *"As of this morning, here's a look at the exact numbers for each of the*

organizations [we provided donor income to]: [WikiLeaks](#): \$58,327.34; [MuckRock News](#): \$12,428.23; [IPS-affiliated] [National Security Archive](#) [Fund]: \$14,066.15. The UpTake: \$12,005.08. ... Freedom of the Press is fiscally sponsored by the Foundation for National Progress, and in exchange for providing us with 501(c)(3) non-profit status while we wait to be approved by the IRS, they take a small portion of the total money we receive. The Foundation for National Progress also helps us with accounting, administrative, legal and insurance expenses at the fraction of the cost we'd normally have to pay."

- ▶ The [Foundation for National Progress](#), which aids Freedom of the Press Foundation and controls [Mother Jones magazine](#), is heavily funded by major foundations as Soros, Ford, MacArthur, Rockefeller and others.
- ▶ The CIA and Rockefeller-tied director [Oliver Stone](#), a first-rate "liberal CIA" asset, produced the 2016 film *Snowden* on Edward Snowden's life.
- ▶ Some Edward Snowden's tweets:
  - ▶ Snowden Twitter biography anno June 2016: *"I used to work for the government. Now I work for the public. Director at [the Rockefeller/Soros-backed] @FreedomofPress."*
  - ▶ April 21, 2016, Edward Snowden tweet: *"The @ACLU lawsuit against the psychologists behind the CIA torture program goes to court for the first time."*
  - ▶ May 26, 2016, Edward Snowden tweet: *"Democracy Now! @democracynow May 26. "If you want to know why @Snowden did it, and the way he did it, you need to know the story of John Crane.""*
  - ▶ May 27, 2016, Edward Snowden tweet: *"It's easy to criticize refugees, until you witness their courage."* (Note: Privately Snowden used to be very critical of Muslim immigration when he landed in London while still working for the government)
  - ▶ June 11, 2016, Edward Snowden tweet: *"New: US spy agencies release workforce demographics. It's not great for women & minorities."*
  - ▶ June 11, 2016, Edward Snowden tweet: *"The #NSA, @FBI, and @CIA historically prefer to spy on minorities. Their new demographics report might hint at why."*
  - ▶ June 14, 2016, Edward Snowden tweet: *"First Trump. Now, the @ACLU is getting nervous about the Democratic front-runner [regarding increased surveillance]. We're running out of red flags."*
  - ▶ June 22, 2016, Edward Snowden tweet: *"The Intercept @theintercept Jun 22. @ACLU sues Cleveland over Republican convention rules that place "unacceptable restrictions on free speech.""*
  - ▶ July 12, 2013, The Guardian, 'Edward Snowden accuses US of

illegal, aggressive campaign': *"Last week, a plane carrying the Bolivian president, Evo Morales, was grounded in Vienna after several European countries blocked their airspace amid suspicions that Snowden was on board. ...*

*Snowden praised Venezuela, as well as Russia, Bolivia, Nicaragua and Ecuador for "being the first to stand against human rights violations carried out by the powerful rather than the powerless" and for "refusing to compromise their principles in the face of intimidation". Russia has one of the world's poorest reputations for human rights.*" Later explained in the media that with regard to Russia he was talking about "the people" - which makes little sense.

- ▶ Both the "left", the "right" and the "alternative right" of the political establishment has attacked Snowden of being a traitor:
  - ▶ Obviously neocons as James Woolsey and John Bolton have called for the execution of Edward Snowden, but so has "alternative" 2016 presidential candidate Donald Trump, with Obama's secretary of state John Kerry having come close to saying this.
  - ▶ July 2, 2013, Washinton Times, 'Donald Trump on Edward Snowden: Kill the 'traitor': *"I think Snowden is a terrible threat, I think he's a terrible traitor, and you know what we used to do in the good old days when we were a strong country — you know what we used to do to traitors, right?" Trump said, Politico reported. "Well, you killed them, Donald," said fill-in host, Eric Bolling. Mr. Trump's response: Well, he is damaging America."*
  - ▶ May 28, 2014, Politico.com, 'Kerry: Snowden a 'coward ... traitor': *"Edward Snowden is a coward," Kerry told Chuck Todd on MSNBC. "He is a traitor. And he has betrayed his country. And if he wants to come home tomorrow to face the music, he can do so." ... "If Mr. Snowden wants to come back to the United States today, we'll have him on a flight today," Kerry added. "We'd be delighted for him to come back. And that's what a patriot would do." The nation's top diplomat has been critical of Snowden in the past, telling CNN last year: "People may die as a consequence of what this man did."*

## NSA: Stand With Snowden

- ▶ Overlaps with the above [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#), a Wikileaks and Edward Snowden support group with ties to the usual "liberal CIA" foundations.
- ▶ [standwithsnowden.com/supporters](#) (accessed: September 29, 2019): *"We are some of the lawyers, policymakers, technologists, civil rights advocates, artists, and*

cryptographers who support Edward Snowden and a world free of mass surveillance. View our organizational supporters: Steve Wozniak, Co-Founder, Apple. [George Soros](#) ... Alex Soros ... Jeffrey Sachs ... Jack Dorsey, Co-Founder and CEO, Twitter and Square... Daniel Ellsberg ... Timothy Edgar, [\[ACLU lawyer and\]](#) Former White House National Security Privacy Director ... Bruce Ackerman [\[of\]](#) Yale ... Tim Berners-Lee, Inventor of the World Wide Web ... Valerie Plame [\[CIA\]](#) ... Ron Rivest, Cryptographer [\[and\]](#) Professor at MIT ...

[Joseph Gordon-Levitt](#), Actor [\[who starred as Edward Snowden in Oliver Stone's 2016 Snowden film\]](#). [Viggo Mortensen](#), Actor. [Maggie Gyllenhaal](#), Actor. [Danny Glover](#), Actor, Producer. [Mark Ruffalo](#), Actor. Patricia Arquette, Actor. Daniel Radcliffe, Actor. Ken Roth, Executive Director, Human Rights Watch. Lili Taylor, Actor. ... Susan Sarandon, Actor. ... [John Cusack](#), Actor... [Martin Sheen](#), Actor. ... Rosie O'Donnell, Actor... Peter Saarsgaard, Actor... [Michael Moore](#) ... [Oliver Stone](#) ... [Noam Chomsky](#) ... [Peter Gabriel](#) ...

Jimmy Wales, Founder, [Wikipedia](#). ... Alan Rusbridger, Former Editor-in-Chief, [The Guardian](#) [\[1995-2015\]](#) ... Melvin Goodman, Former Division Chief and Senior Analyst, Central Intelligence Agency. ... Barry Eisler, Former CIA officer. ... Laura Poitras ... Glenn Greenwald ... Jan Philipp Albrecht [\[and\]](#) Sophie in 't Veld [\[and\]](#) Matthijs van Miltenburg [\[MEPs\]](#) ... [Ancilla van de Leest](#)..."

## NSA: The Intercept

- ▶ June 27, 2013, Business Insider, 'Latest Glenn Greenwald Scoop Vindicates One Of The Original NSA Whistleblowers': *"William Binney - one of the best mathematicians and code breakers in National Security Agency (NSA) history — worked for America's premier covert intelligence gathering organization for 32 years before resigning in late 2001 because he "could not stay after the NSA began purposefully violating the Constitution." Binney claims that the NSA took one of the programs he built, known as ThinThread, and started using the program and members of his team to spy on virtually every U.S. citizen under the code-name Stellar Wind. Thanks to NSA whistleblower/leaker Edward Snowden, documents detailing the top-secret surveillance program have now been published for the first time. And they corroborate what Binney has said for years."*
- ▶ In October 2013, five months after the Snowden affair broke, Glenn Greenwald left The Guardian with the announcement he was going to pursue a *"once-in-a-career dream journalistic opportunity that no journalist could possibly decline."* That was Intercept magazine. And he brought Poitras with him.

Ebay founder and upcoming superclass member Pierre Omidyar put up the necessary millions for the magazine to come into existence, so since then Omidyar and Poitras have been his employees.

- ▶ Closely linked to the liberal establishment-backed [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#).
- ▶ Ebay founder [Pierre Omidyar](#) and his wife are involved in an ever increasing amount of Rockefeller/Soros-tied NGOs. At this point they include: the Clinton Global Initiative, the Center for Public Integrity, The Elders (of Nelson Mandela), the Santa Fe Institute, the Berggruen Institute on Governance, the Global Philanthropy Forum and the Edge Foundation.
- ▶ The [Omidyar Network](#) had existing business ties with Booz Allen Hamilton, Snowden's last employer. Booz Allen provided him with the NSA job that gave him access to so much of the system. Both Omidyar and Booz Allen Hamilton are major investors in Globant. In 2012 key Booz Allen director Philip Odeen was appointed to the board of Globant, with an Omidyar partner sitting on the advisory board. Earlier [ISGP identified Odeen](#) as the no. 1 "Defense Science & Technology" executive in the U.S. with deep ties to men as James Woolsey and Frank Carlucci, both CIA elites involved with Booz Allen, not to mention everything secret and illegal.
  - ▶ August 27, 2013 filing, SEC F-1 form, Globant S.A.:  
*"Directors and Director Nominees: ... Philip A. Odeen Mr. Odeen has served as a member of the board of directors since 2012. ... Mr. Odeen was a director of Northrop Grumman from 2003 to 2008. Mr. Odeen retired as chairman and chief executive officer of TRW Inc. in December 2002. ... Mr. Odeen has served as a director of QinetiQ North America, Inc. since 2006, Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. since 2008... Board of Advisors: ... Sal Giambanco: Mr. Giambanco leads the human capital and operations functions of Omidyar Network. From 2000 to 2009, he served as the Vice President of human resources and administration for PayPal and eBay Inc. ... share options outstanding as of June 30, 2013 under share option agreements entered into with Endeavor Global Inc. and Omidyar Network Fund Inc., with a weighted average exercise price of \$0.5337 per share..."*
- ▶ October 16, 2016, Pando.com, 'What the hell? Pierre Omidyar selects one of Edward Snowden's former Booz Allen bosses to be an Omidyar Fellow': *"The director of US intelligence, James Clapper, was a Booz Allen executive, and former NSA director Michael McConnell is now a Booz Allen VP. In other words, if you're with Edward Snowden in any way, Booz Allen [Snowden's former employer] is the enemy. So it may come as a surprise that billionaire Pierre Omidyar — owner and publisher of The Intercept, which holds the only complete*

cache of Snowden's NSA files — has just selected one of Snowden's former bosses at Booz Allen's Hawaii branch to join the Omidyar Fellows program."

- ▶ December 3, 2014, Vanity Fair, 'The Unmanageables': "eBay founder Pierre Omidyar's differences with First Look Media staff have been all over the press. ... One of its most high-profile journalists, former [Rolling Stone](#) writer Matt Taibbi, left in October after clashing with Omidyar and his deputies, amid allegations of insubordination and possibly gender-based hostility on Taibbi's part. John Cook, editor in chief of what is so far First Look's only publication, *The Intercept*, is leaving the site at the end of 2014 to return to his former employer, the gossip-and-news site Gawker. These departures have laid bare how Omidyar's process-driven approach to management clashed with the ways of the independent-minded journalists he hired. ... The task at that point was to prepare to launch a number of digital magazines that would feed into *Firstlook.org*. Taibbi's site, *Racket*, was still officially unnamed, though Taibbi had hired Alex Pareene, from [Salon](#), to be his executive editor. Meanwhile, Temple explained to me, all of *The Intercept*'s founding editors—Greenwald, Poitras, and Scahill—were busy on their own projects. "Laura is in Berlin making a movie. Glenn is writing a best-seller. Jeremy is at the Academy Awards," he said. "It's all stratospheric." *The Intercept*'s first story, published in February, was a joint venture between Greenwald and Scahill on the N.S.A.'s role in the government's drone program. Initially, the site published articles periodically, but the announcements of new hires seemed more frequent than the stories. ... t Omidyar had put in place a three-month hiring freeze. If there was a specific need related to the Snowden archive, Bates said, then the hire could go through, but otherwise Omidyar wanted to buy some time to reflect. When Greenwald and Poitras came to New York to accept a Polk Award for the Snowden stories that had appeared in *The Guardian*, Greenwald, Poitras, and Scahill arranged a video chat with Omidyar about the purported freeze. Omidyar said that there was no freeze and that there had been a misunderstanding. Still, John Cook and Matt Taibbi found it difficult to get hires approved for *The Intercept* and *Racket*. In June, Greenwald, Poitras, Scahill, and Taibbi wrote a private letter to Omidyar expressing their displeasure. They complained about arbitrary restrictions on hiring and a lack of clear budgets for the two sites. The letter, after back-and-forth discussions between First Look journalists and management, resulted in a clear budget for *The Intercept* and increased autonomy. During this time, *The Intercept* was publishing significant national-security stories, not all of them based on Snowden's documents. Over the course of a month—from



early July to early August—The New York Times followed three such stories from The Intercept, and credited the site with breaking the news. In late July, Omidyar announced in a blog post that, instead of launching a variety of sites, First Look would be "building out" The Intercept and Racket. No other sites were immediately planned, and First Look would focus on experimenting with the technical aspects of distributing First Look's journalism, rather than simply creating new content."

- ▶ Bizarrely, In March 2017 former The Intercept staffer Juan Thompson, a radical Black Lives Matter supporter whose entire short career can be linked to groups financed with "liberal CIA" foundation money, was caught making countless bomb threats against Jewish centers in the United States (weeks later Israeli teen and hacker Michael Kaydar was arrested as making over 2,000 terrorist threats overall, many to Jewish centers and even a threat to a Pentagon official, apparently out of financial motive):

- ▶ March 3, 2017, Washington Post, 'Former journalist arrested, charged with threats against Jewish facilities':  
"*We were horrified to learn this morning that Juan Thompson, a former employee of The Intercept, has been arrested in connection with bomb threats against the ADL and multiple Jewish Community Centers in addition to cyberstalking,*" Charlotte Greensit, the Intercept's managing editor, said in a statement Friday. ... *[The threats] forced people from dozens of Jewish Community Centers, schools, offices and day cares, contributing to heightened anxiety about anti-Semitism nationwide. ... Thompson is not believed to be responsible for all of the threats...*"

- ▶ [theintercept.com/staff/juan/](https://theintercept.com/staff/juan/) (accessed: March 27, 2018):  
"*Articles [from 2015] by Juan Thompson on theintercept.com: ... 'Footage of Police Violence Puts Heat on Chicago Officials' ... 'Black Lives Matter Activists Blocked From Entering Trump Campaign Rally' ... 'Nothing Funny About a Leading Presidential Candidate Spreading Racist Propaganda on Crime'*"

- ▶ [theintercept.com/staff](https://theintercept.com/staff/juan/) (accessed: October 16, 2015): "*Juan Thompson. Reporter. Juan Thompson is a journalist with a focus on crime, punishment, the police state, and race. [juan@theintercept.com](mailto:juan@theintercept.com).*"

- ▶ [theintercept.com/staff/juan/](https://theintercept.com/staff/juan/) (accessed: October 16, 2015):  
"*Juan Thompson is a journalist with a focus on crime, punishment, the police state, and race. Prior to joining The Intercept, he worked as a production assistant and reporter at Chicago's NPR member station WBEZ [also listed at Public Radio International ([pri.org/programs/wbez](http://pri.org/programs/wbez)), like NPR financed by the Ford Foundation, Gates Foundation, MacArthur Foundation, etc. Looking at the website [WBEZ.org](http://WBEZ.org) on April 22, 2018, the*

*top article is titled 'Which Historical Monuments Have Sparked Controversy In Chicago? [over racism]'; followed by 'From Columbine To Parkland: Art And Activism', an article about Obama's heritage and an article titled '[Black] Lawmakers Seek Broader Reviews Of Suburban Police Shootings.'], and as a reporter for DNAinfo Chicago [owned by billionaire Joe Ricketts, a trustee American Enterprise Institute 1999-2007, ally of Libertarian activist Eric O'Keefe, and a Trump supporter. His daughter, Laura Ricketts, is a Lesbian LGBTQ activist, Clinton-Obama fundraiser and director of Ford Foundation, etc.-backed LGBTQ group Lambda Legal, one of whose staffers burned himself to death in NYC in April 2018 over global warming]]."* Juan Thompson is black man born in 1983. Attended the elite Eastern Establishment Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, New York, and was connected to the student newspaper. Countless "liberal CIA" activists, including many women, have a Vassar background.

## NSA: The Tor Project

- ▶ While finding it a strange idea that the supposedly "grass roots" operators of the encrypted browsing software Tor would be able to challenge the NSA on their online surveillance capacity, I never paid much attention to the group. That is, until reading in mid 2016 on Holland's most famous news aggregate website Nu.nl (linked to the CIA, according to the Crowley files) that the group's CEO, Jacob Appelbaum, was forced to leave the company over (quite possibly bogus) sexual harrassment charges and that [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) CEO Cindy Cohn was brought on board as a board member. And also that Buzzfeed was scooping stories on The Tor Project. I wondered: What kind of "grass roots" freeware has a compony with a board and gets frontpage headlines internationally? Apart from Tor, quite possibly none. Then again, with Cindy Cohn of the Rockefeller/Omidyar-backed [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) joining Tor, the "grass roots" aspect is definitely out of the window.
- ▶ Then we take a look at the biography of Tor co-creator and CEO Jacob Appelbaum:
  - ▶ Member of [Greenpace](#)'s IT team in the early 2000s, as well as a volunteer for the for [Ruckus Society](#) and the [Rainforest Action Network](#), all of them financed by "liberal CIA" superclass foundations as Rockefeller, Turner and Ford.
  - ▶ **Appelbaum used to work as a security specialist for [George Soros' Open Society Institute](#).**
  - ▶ Appelbaum used to work as a security specialist for the **Soros and Omidyar-backed Tactical Technology Collective**, which has been organizing trainings in countries as Croatia, Uganda, Indonesia and India for



youth activists in how use social media:

- ▶ October 11, 2016, The Guardian, 'Power, secrecy and cypherpunks: how Jacob Appelbaum ripped Tor apart; Once part of Julian Assange's inner circle, the prominent tech activist is facing a slew of troubling allegations': *"[Appelbaum's] profile [soared] in 2010 when he stood in for Julian Assange [of Wikileaks] as the keynote speaker at the Hackers on Planet Earth (Hope) conference in New York. ... Former colleagues say that Appelbaum acted as a gatekeeper for Assange, controlling access to him... Then in 2004, he started volunteering as a developer for the Tor Project...*

*Appelbaum started to build credibility through his work as a security specialist for non-profit organizations including Greenpeace, the Open Society Institute, Tactical Tech, the Ruckus Society, Rainforest Action Network and Kink.com, a San Francisco BDSM porn site."*

- ▶ tacticaltech.org/about/funding (accessed: March 8, 2017): *"Our main funders are the Oak Foundation, SIDA, the Open Society Foundation, and the Sigrid Rausing Trust. We also receive grants from Omidyar Network and AJWS."*

- ▶ Member Cult of the Dead Cow hacker collective 2008-2016.
- ▶ Spotted at home while giving a hacking demonstration to "liberal CIA" Rolling Stone magazine with a Guy Fawkes mask on the wall, so obviously very close to Anonymous.
- ▶ By 2010 a chief technical advisor and representative of Julian Assagne, the founder of Wikileaks in 2006. Wikileaks actually runs on Appelbaum's Tor network. Appeared on Julian Assagne's 2012 television program *World Tomorrow*.
- ▶ From at least 2013 until 2016 on the Technical Advisory Board of the Freedom of the Press Foundation, the Snowden-Ellsberg-Wikileaks group backed by elite foundations as Rockefeller, MacArthur, Soros and others.
- ▶ In December 2013 he presented at the Chaos Communication Congress Snowden documents revealing how the NSA can tap your Iphone. Also published a number of articles based on his unique access to Snowden documents.

- ▶ June 22, 2004, Jacob Appelbaum for Greenpeace.org, 'Geeks Love Trees, Too': *"As part of the Greenpeace IT team, I spend most of my days in an office working with electronics, computers or some other anti-luddite activity. Recently I had a chance to break out from the mold and spend the night in 80 feet up a 500-year-old douglas fir."*

► December 1, 2010, Rolling Stone, 'The American Wikileaks Hacker': *"Appelbaum is the only known American member of Wikileaks and the leading evangelist for the software program that helped make the leak possible. ...*

*He demonstrates this to me when I meet him, this past spring, two weeks before Wikileaks made headlines around the world by releasing a video showing U.S. soldiers killing civilians in Iraq. I visit him at his cavernous duplex in San Francisco. The only furniture is a black couch, a black chair and a low black table; a Guy Fawkes mask hangs on a wall in the kitchen. The floor is littered with Ziploc bags containing bundles of foreign cash: Argentine pesos, Swiss francs, Romanian lei, old Iraqi dinars bearing Saddam Hussein's face. The bag marked "Zimbabwe" contains a single \$50 billion bill. Photographs, most of them taken by Appelbaum, cover the wall above his desk: punk girls in seductive poses and a portrait of his deceased father, an actor, in drag. ...*

*No one has done more to spread the gospel of anonymity than Appelbaum, whose day job is to serve as the public face of the Tor Project, a group that promotes Internet privacy through a software program invented 15 years ago by the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory. He travels the world teaching spooks, political dissidents and human rights activists how to use Tor to prevent some of the world's most repressive regimes from tracking their movements online. He considers himself a freedom-of-speech absolutist. "The only way we'll make progress in the human race is if we have dialogue," he says. "Everyone should honor the United Nations human rights charter that says access to freedom of speech is a universal right. Anonymous communication is a good way for this to happen. Tor is just an implementation that helps spread that idea."*

*In the past year alone, Tor has been downloaded more than 36 million times. A suspected high-level member of the Iranian military used Tor to leak information about Tehran's censorship apparatus. An exiled Tunisian blogger living in the Netherlands relies on Tor to get past state censors. During the Beijing Olympics, Chinese protesters used Tor to hide their identities from the government.*

*The Tor Project has received funding not only from major corporations like Google and activist groups like Human Rights Watch but also from the U.S. military, which sees Tor as an important tool in intelligence work. The Pentagon was not particularly pleased, however, when Tor was used to reveal its secrets. Wikileaks runs on Tor, which helps to preserve the anonymity of its informants. Though Appelbaum is a Tor employee, he volunteers for Wikileaks and works closely with Julian Assange, the group's founder. "Tor's importance to Wikileaks cannot be understated," Assange says. "Jake has*

*been a tireless promoter behind the scenes of our cause."*

*In July, shortly before Wikileaks released the classified Afghanistan war documents, Assange had been scheduled to give the keynote speech at Hackers on Planet Earth (HOPE), a major conference held at a hotel in New York. Federal agents were spotted in the audience, presumably waiting for Assange to appear. Yet as the lights darkened in the auditorium, it was not Assange who took the stage but Appelbaum. ...*

*For the next 75 minutes, Appelbaum spoke about Wikileaks, urging the hackers in the audience to volunteer for the cause. Then the lights went out, and Appelbaum, his black hoodie pulled down over his face, appeared to be escorted out of the auditorium by a group of volunteers. In the lobby, however, the hood was lifted, revealing a young man who was not, in fact, Appelbaum. The real Appelbaum had slipped away backstage and left the hotel through a security door. Two hours later, he was on a flight to Berlin.*

*By the time Appelbaum returned to America 12 days later and was detained at Newark, newspapers were reporting that the war documents identified dozens of Afghan informants and potential defectors who were cooperating with American troops. (When asked why Wikileaks didn't redact these documents before releasing them, a spokesman for the organization blamed the sheer volume of information: "I just can't imagine that someone could go through 76,000 documents.") Marc Thiessen, a former Bush speechwriter, called the group "a criminal enterprise" and urged the U.S. military to hunt them down like Al Qaeda. Rep. Mike Rogers, a Republican from Michigan, said that the soldier who allegedly provided the documents to Wikileaks should be executed.*

*Two days later, after speaking at a hackers conference in Las Vegas, Appelbaum was approached by a pair of undercover FBI agents. ...*

*Appelbaum has been off the grid ever since — avoiding airports, friends, strangers and unsecure locations, traveling through the country by car. He's spent the past five years of his life working to protect activists around the world from repressive governments. Now he is on the run from his own."*

► Tor is needed to access the so-called Dark Web of banned sites:

► On April 3, 2023 this author was searching for the full donor list of "Mobilization for the Environment" (MOB), a prominent Dutch green group whose lawyer once was a sidekick of [Pim Fortuyn assassin Volkert van der Graaf](#), which is reported in the mainstream media to have been leaked, predictably, it couldn't be found in any mainstream search engine. So this author went to Tor, used the Ahmia dark web browser and - predictably - found nothing. Also quite predictably at this point, the

search engine provided completely irrelevant search results that included, high up, the antifa site Riseup.net, a Wiki-type page exposing all donors/members of the alt right Oath Keepers group, a Jihadist site, another bad-looking pro-West Russian-Ukraine War news site, and a COVID 19 phara site that already was defunct as the top search. In other words, it appears dark web search engines also manipulate their results in favor of "liberal CIA". It too is just a simulation of activism.

## Occupy Wall Street



- ▶ The Occupy Wall Street (OWS) movement (#OccupyWallStreet) with its slogan "*We are the 99%*" began on February 2, 2011 with the anti-corporate group Adbusters. Over the course of 2011 the ad campaign was expanded and resulted in thousands of protestors, backed by labor unions, as well as Anonymous, occupying Zuccotti Park, right next to Wall Street, on September 17.
- ▶ The thing is, since 2001, Adbusters had received over \$300,000 in financing from the [Tides Foundation](#), a clearinghouse / money laundry for wealthy East and West Coast liberals, since 2005 largely centered around George Soros' secretive Democracy Alliance. In particular, the Tides Foundation is coordinating its financing with the Ford Foundation, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, George Soros, Bill Gates, and had Joanie Bronfman, a niece of Edgar Bronfman, Sr., on its board of directors (by 2015 chair). Together they finance the entire spectrum of the New Left: from sustainable development to social programs and a whole range of media outlets: Mother Jones, The Nation, Harper's, etc.
- ▶ Tellingly, Tides has also been a conduit to finance various scammy/counter-culture enterprises of [Coast to Coast AM guests](#). A list of relevant sources is following. There's too much focus on Soros alone, but at the same time it is clear that the liberal wing of the Eastern Establishment is behind the rise of Occupy Wall Street.

- ▶ The involvement of Rockefeller-Soros economist [Joseph Stiglitz - a top superclass member](#) - is another good example of OWS backing from these liberal establishment corners. Prominent Occupy Wall Street activist Naomi Klein, who has been receiving large funds from all the major liberal foundations for her later climate change work, is another example.
- ▶ September 15, 2011, Frontpage Magazine (ultraconservative), 'Radical Rage: Marxist Mob Plans to Occupy Wall Street: The Left prepares for an "anti-banking jihad" to cause massive upheaval': *"According to Adbusters, the Noam Chomsky-friendly magazine that regards capitalism as a disease and consumer advertizing as mental pollution, 20,000 radicals, union members, and others are expected to occupy Wall Street. "Hacktivists" [Anonymous], who use computers and computer networks as a means of protest to promote political ends, are also expected to participate tomorrow. Adbusters Media Foundation of Vancouver, Canada, the nonprofit behind the "anti-consumerist" magazine, has received funding from organizations associated with radical philanthropist George Soros's Democracy Alliance, a donor collaborative that wants to push America even farther left. The foundation has received \$176,500 since 2001 from the Glaser Progress Foundation, which was created by Alliance member Rob Glaser. Glaser heads the online multimedia company RealNetworks. The Adbusters Media Foundation has also taken \$309,773 from the Tides Foundation since 2001. Tides was created by Drummond Pike [of the Democracy Alliance]..."*
- ▶ November 3, 2011, Frontpage Magazine (ultraconservative), 'Occupy Wall Street and Soros; Fingerprints Who is funding the neo-communist uprising?': *"The nonprofit organization that has taken Soros' money is the [Alliance for Global Justice](#). It is managing donations benefiting the anarchists, socialists, communists, empty-headed Naomi Klein followers, and hippies now occupying [OWS'] Zuccotti Park in lower Manhattan. As of Nov. 2, the Alliance reported \$206,000 in donations earmarked for Occupy Wall Street. The Wall Street Journal estimates Occupy Wall Street has taken in a grand total of \$500,000 so far but that doesn't appear to take into account non-monetary donations such as food, power generators, clothing, shoes, camping gear, and sleeping bags.*  
...  
*The [Open Society Institute](#) [of Soros] has given \$24.6 million to the Tides network of philanthropies since 1999. ... It is possible that Soros secretly gave money to Occupy Wall Street through Tides. Since 2001 the Tides Foundation has given almost \$310,000 to Adbusters, the anti-corporate magazine based in Canada. It is possible that money came from Soros.*

*The Adbusters Media Foundation organized the "US Day of Rage" on Sept. 17 that kicked off the protest that has come to be known as Occupy Wall Street. One of Soros's fellow Democracy Alliance members, RealNetworks CEO Rob Glaser, has given to Adbusters Media Foundation. His Glaser Progress Foundation gave the group \$176,500 in 2001. The RealNetworks Foundation gave Adbusters \$250 in 2002.*

*The remnants of the ACORN network are also involved in Occupy Wall Street. As I previously reported, the Working Families Party, an ACORN front group, is participating in the protests by raising money and paying for rent-a-mobs. Building on evidence I uncovered weeks ago, FoxNews.com is reporting that New York Communities for Change (NYCC), the new ACORN front group that replaced ACORN's New York chapter last year when ACORN declared bankruptcy, is raising money for Occupy Wall Street. NYCC executive director Jon Kest, a longtime ACORN activist, denies his group is connected to Occupy Wall Street.*

*[MoveOn](#), which has received millions of dollars from Soros personally, is raising money and trying to help the protesters in lower Manhattan and at "occupations" throughout the country. The group created a website, [Occupy Wish List](#), where protesters list what they need and donors pledge to give it to them."*

- ▶ Occupy D.C. was co-founded by several persons involved in the Soros-funded [MoveOn.org](#) and later with the Soros-funded [Other 98%](#) website.
- ▶ Conservative outlets as Frontpage Magazine are focusing too much on George Soros alone. Many other elite foundations are backing Tides:
- ▶ [tides.org/i-want-to/increase-my-foundations-impact-capacity](#) (accessed: September 3, 2015): *"In partnership with institutions like The California Endowment, The [William and Flora Hewlett Foundation](#), [George Soros'] [Open Society Institute](#), [W.K. Kellogg Foundation](#), [Bill & Melinda] [Gates Foundation](#), [Ford Foundation](#), and many others, we have granted hundreds of millions of dollars."*
- ▶ [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#): [rbf.org/grant/10767/tides-foundation-5](#) (accessed: September 3, 2015): *"Tides Foundation GRANT DETAIL. <http://www.tidesfoundation.org>, San Francisco, CA, United States. \$500,000 for 1 year. For its Connect U.S. Fund. Award Date: November 19, 2009. Program Peacebuilding. ... Other Grants Given To This Grantee Tides Foundation \$60,000 for 1 year For its VoteRunLead project. Program: Democratic Practice Award Date: 06/24/2014 Tides Foundation \$50,000 for 1 year For its project, SumOfUs Education Fund. Program: Democratic Practice Award Date: 04/22/2014 Tides Foundation \$200,000 for 1 year For its Connect U.S. Fund. Program: Peacebuilding Award Date:*

10/20/2011"

- ▶ [tides.org/about/board](http://tides.org/about/board) (accessed: September 17, 2011):  
*"TIDES FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Joanie Bronfman, Anne Mosle, john a. powell [sic], Chuck Savitt, Joel Solomon, Chair."*
- ▶ [tides.org/about/board](http://tides.org/about/board) (accessed: September 3, 2015):  
*"TIDES FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Joanie Bronfman, Chair... Joanie Bronfman is a long-time advocate of social justice. She was a founder of the Threshold Foundation's Social Justice Committee, the Women Donors Network and the Jewish Funders Network. Over the years, Joanie has served on the boards of Tides Canada and the Threshold Foundation. She was a member of the Racial Justice Working Group of the Women Donors Network. She has also been a member of several funding circles including: the Ms. Foundation Safety Circle and Democracy Funding Circle, as well as the Global Fund for Women's circle on issues of Trafficking, and Women's Rights and Traditional Practices."*
- ▶ [tides.org/about/board](http://tides.org/about/board) (accessed: September 3, 2015):  
*"TIDES FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: ... Sid Espinosa ... Sid Espinosa is an American businessman and politician. ... Sid is currently the Director of Corporate Citizenship for Microsoft Corporation. ... After working at the Democratic National Committee during the 1994 congressional campaigns, Sid joined the Clinton Administration, and worked both at the White House and then as an Advisor to U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno at the U.S. Department of Justice. "*
- ▶ August 10, 2010, New York Observer, 'Poor Little Rich Girls: The Ballad of Sara and Clare Bronfman': *"In 1987, Joanie Bronfman, then a Brandeis philosophy doctoral candidate and the daughter of Edgar Bronfman Sr.'s cousin Gerald, investigated the peculiar psychoses of the rich in her dissertation The Experience of Inherited Wealth: A Social-Psychological Perspective. ... Ms. Bronfman argued that inheritors of massive wealth tend to be emotionally stunted. They adopt paranoid worldviews and come to see humans as radically selfish. ...*  
*The heiress wanted to meet the Dalai Lama. She wanted the Dalai Lama to be her friend. She had been obsessed with him for two and a half years. "I was literally in my bedroom one day listening to his tapes and thought to myself, 'Wow, this guy is amazing!'" Sara Bronfman told an Albany AM radio host last year. When His Holiness arrived in town the next day, Ms. Bronfman could take credit for his presence."*
- ▶ [blog.tides.org/2011/10/12/why-we-support-the-occupywallstreet-movement/](http://blog.tides.org/2011/10/12/why-we-support-the-occupywallstreet-movement/): *"#OccupyWallStreet is clearly a*



people's movement. There is a minimal presence of organized labor and it has purposely forgone the sometimes distracting charismatic personalities of many other movements in the making. Understated, organized, and committed are adjectives that best describe #OccupyWallStreet. Others are scalable, patient, and strategic. All of these qualities seem to elude the press. As expected, conservative media are characterizing #OccupyWallStreet as an anomaly comprised of crazy anarchists. Other relatively progressive but mainstream media organizations are also undermining the power of these massive pods of patient protestors popping up all over the country. Dismissing the wisdom, history, and innovation of the group, these media outlets have framed #OccupyWallStreet as a group of misinformed individuals without an agenda or clear plan. Nonsense! From the bus boycotts to the Black Panthers, #OccupyWallStreet represents the results of historical marginalization and lack of true representation in the US Congress, on Wall Street, and in local elected offices. #OccupyWallStreet represents the best of American ideals and ingenuity. They are inclusive, intergenerational, focused, and democratic. As the new Chief Executive Officer of Tides, I am thrilled that #OccupyWallStreet has emerged and continues to grow. Since our inception, Tides has supported such movements. Our commitment to racial, social, and economic justice within healthy communities remains strong after 35 years."

- ▶ Possibly a coincidence: The Occupy Wall Street movement was able to camp for a long time in Zuccotti Park close to Wall Street, because it is privately owned by Brookfield Asset Management, Inc. A quick check reveals that Brookfield's chair and CEO was John Zuccotti, a trustee of the elite billion dollar [Doris Duke Charitable Fund](#) after whom the park is named. In addition, Brookfield also has a relative close association with the Bronfman family and other elites:
  - ▶ November 3, 2013, Jewish Business News, 'Brookfield Asset Management in the News With Three Major Transactions Totalling \$8.9 Billion': *"At one point in its history [1970s] control of the company was taken over by Edper investments, a vehicle for the interests of Peter Bronfman, the Toronto cousin of Charles and Edgar Bronfman and who died in 1996."*
  - ▶ In 2006 Brookfield aquired Trizec Properties, which at the time was headed by 1001 Club member and, as a close friend of Prince Charles and the Rothschilds, top elitist Peter Munk. Trizec was founded in 1960 by William Zeckendorf, once a property portfolio manager for Vincent Astor who in 1946 sold 17 acres of land to John D. Rockefeller for what would soon become the United Nations building. Edward and Peter Bronfman had

acquired a majority stake in Trizec in the 1970s through their company Edper Holdings. By 1995 the Bronfmans have fully divested themselves from Edper, which in 1997 becomes the EdperBrascan Corporation, in 2000 the Brascan Corporation, and in 2005 Brookfield Asset Management, which takes over Trizec in 2006. So while Brookfield Asset Management, which is considered one of the "greenest" companies in the world, did not have a clear tie to the Bronfmans or other elites by 2011, it most certainly has a very strong historical tie.

- ▶ On October 11, three weeks after the occupation, Brookfield's CEO, Richard Clark, asked the NYC police to clear Zuccotti Park. He later withdrew the request and the protestors were allowed to stay.
- ▶ October 03, 2011, BWO: Columbia Student News, 'Stiglitz Speaks at Occupy Wall Street' (Stiglitz is a major Soros and Rockefeller-allied economist and himself a soild superclass member): *"Yesterday, our very own Professor Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel laureate for economics, stopped by Zuccotti Park to talk to the protestors, along with fellow economist Jeff Madrick. ... "There's a system where we socialize losses and privatize gains," he continued. "That's not capitalism, that's not a market economy, that's a distorted economy and if we continue with that we won't succeed in growing, and we won't succeed in creating a just society." This obviously went down well with the crowd, and Prof Stiglitz appeared to be very chuffed. Watch the full speech, or read our transcript below:"*
- ▶ October 20, 2011, National Public Radio (NPR), 'Exploring Occupy Wall Street's 'Adbuster' Origins': *"The protests go by a variety of names: "Occupy Wall Street," "American Autumn," "The 99 Percent." And the lack of a unified message is matched by a lack of centralized control. But the protests share a common spark: a disillusioned Canadian adman. The Occupy protests seemed to come out of nowhere. But the early participants, like John Garcia in downtown Seattle, point to a very specific catalyst. "I get Adbusters, so that's how I heard about it," he says. Adbusters is an anti-consumerism magazine based in Vancouver, British Columbia. This summer, it proposed a Sept. 17 "occupation" of Wall Street, and the idea caught fire. Adbusters doesn't claim any control over the protests. It wouldn't give NPR an interview, for instance, for fear of overshadowing the movement. It sees itself more as an idea shop, sort of an "anti-advertising firm" that takes special glee in creating fake ads to subvert the message of real products. ... The man behind all this is Kalle Lasn, a puckish, Estonian-born former adman who still considers himself to be, in the language of the industry, a "creative." In a 2006 speech, Lasn said, "I have a feeling that*

*right now, this human experiment on planet Earth is hitting the wall!" He was speaking to an audience of fellow "creatives" — graphic designers, in this case — at a conference in Berlin. Lasn lamented the environmental and psychological cost of modern capitalism, and he laid special responsibility on the shoulders of advertising professionals. "We are the cool-makers and the cool-breakers," he said. "We are the people who create the look of the magazine. We are the people who create the feeling and the tone of television or the give and take of the Internet. More than any other profession, I think that we have the power to change the world." Former advertising art director Matt Soar, who is now a professor of communications at Montreal's Concordia University, agrees — to a point. "I think it's a relatively constrained kind of power," he says. "I don't think it's an unbridled power." Soar says Lasn can get a little carried away with his vision of graphic designers as the vanguard of a revolution. But Lasn has been influential, he says, especially on younger people. ... And as the continuing scene in lower Manhattan attests, Lasn certainly knows how to launch a campaign."*

- ▶ October 13, 2011, Reuters, 'Soros: not a funder of Wall Street protests': *"George Soros isn't a financial backer of the Wall Street protests, despite speculation by critics including radio host Rush Limbaugh that the billionaire investor has helped fuel the anti-capitalist movement. Limbaugh summed up the chatter when he told his listeners last week, "George Soros money is behind this." Soros spokesman Michael Vachon said that Soros has not "funded the protests directly or indirectly." He added: "Assertions to the contrary are an attempt by those who oppose the protesters to cast doubt on the authenticity of the movement." Soros has donated at least \$3.5 million to an organization called the Tides Center in recent years, earmarking the funds for specific purposes. Tides has given grants to Adbusters, an anti-capitalist group in Canada whose inventive marketing campaign sparked the first demonstrations last month. Vachon said Open Society specified what its donations could be used for. He said they were not general purpose funds to be used at the discretion of Tides -- for example for grants to Adbusters. "Our grants to Tides were for other purposes." Tides declined to comment. According to IRS disclosure documents from 2007-2009, the latest data available, Soros' Open Society gave grants of \$3.5 million to Tides, a San Francisco-based group that acts almost like a clearing house for other donors, directing their contributions to liberal non-profit groups. Among others the Tides Center has partnered with are the Ford Foundation and the Gates Foundation. IRS disclosure documents and reports from Tides also show that Tides gave Adbusters grants of \$185,000 from 2001-2010, including nearly \$26,000 between*

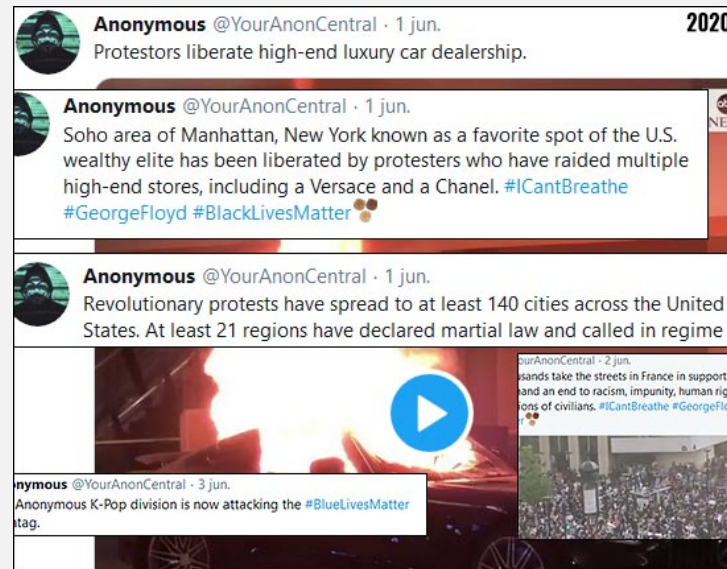
2007-2009. The Vancouver-based Adbusters publishes a magazine with a circulation of 120,000 and is known for its spoofs of popular advertisements. It says it wants to "change the way corporations wield power" and its goal is "to topple existing power structures." Adbusters co-founder Kalle Lasn said the group is 95 percent funded by subscribers paying for the magazine. "George Soros's ideas are quite good, many of them. I wish he would give Adbusters some money, we sorely need it," he said. "He's never given us a penny." Adbusters may have sparked Occupy Wall Street but it is by no means in control of the disparate movement, with the protests now in their fourth week and spreading to cities across America. President Barack Obama, BlackRock Chief Executive Laurence Fink and Soros himself are among those who have expressed sympathy for the protesters' frustration with high unemployment. *SHARED FRUSTRATION* "I can understand their sentiment," Soros told reporters last week at the United Nations about the Occupy Wall Street demonstrations, which are expected to spur solidarity marches globally on Saturday. He declined to comment further."

- ▶ September 15, 2011, Frontpage Magazine (ultraconservative), 'Radical Rage: Marxist Mob Plans to Occupy Wall Street: The Left prepares for an "anti-banking jihad" to cause massive upheaval': "According to Adbusters, the Noam Chomsky-friendly magazine that regards capitalism as a disease and consumer advertizing as mental pollution, 20,000 radicals, union members, and others are expected to occupy Wall Street. "hacktivists" [Anonymous], who use computers and computer networks as a means of protest to promote political ends, are also expected to participate tomorrow. Adbusters Media Foundation of Vancouver, Canada, the nonprofit behind the "anti-consumerist" magazine, has received funding from organizations associated with radical philanthropist George Soros's Democracy Alliance, a donor collaborative that wants to push America even farther left. The foundation has received \$176,500 since 2001 from the Glaser Progress Foundation, which was created by Alliance member Rob Glaser. Glaser heads the online multimedia company RealNetworks. The Adbusters Media Foundation has also taken \$309,773 from the Tides Foundation since 2001. Tides was created by Drummond Pike [of the Democracy Alliance]..."
- ▶ [adbusters.org/campaigns/occupywallstreet](http://adbusters.org/campaigns/occupywallstreet) (timeline) (accessed: November 28, 2015): "The joyous freedom of possibility. Dissent can be personal, collective, creative — whatever you want it to be. Revolt can be physical or spectral, a blackspot on a corporate logo or a digital mindbomb posted online. Edit a billboard, speak to a friend. There are no limits, no minimum or maximum. ... 23 Aug Anonymous Join

#OCCUPYWALLSTREET 16 Aug Spanish Indignados Join #OCCUPYWALLSTREET (in Spanish) 11 Aug #OCCUPYWALLSTREET update (in Spanish) 26 July #OCCUPYWALLSTREET goes viral 13 July A shift in revolutionary tactics (the blog post that inspired #OWS) ... Get Involved OccupyWallStreet.org for tactical briefings OccupiedStories.com for eye-witness accounts OccupyTheory.org for philosophical insights OccupyStreams.org for livestreams from every city Takethesquare.net for international perspective Occupy Your City! Jammers across the world have occupied their financial districts. Find an occupation near you at OccupyTogether.org..."

- ▶ July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, "The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA": *"The Message" is a multi-platform project on climate change. [379] The first part of the project is a non-fiction book expected for release in fall 2014 by Naomi Klein, to be followed by a documentary currently in production. [380] In 2011 and 2012, SMF [Sustainable Markets Foundation] received donations for and distributed grants to "The Message." Specifically, in 2011, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund gave SMF \$50,000 for "The Message," Wallace Global Fund gave SMF \$75,000 for "The Message," and Schmidt Family Foundation gave \$40,000 to SMF "to support development of a film titled, The Message." [381] While those donations total \$165,000 in 2011, that year SMF gave \$112,360 – the difference seemingly represents SMF's fiscal sponsor fee. The following year, the Schmidt Family Foundation gave SMF \$100,000 "to support 'The Message' film." [382] Ms. Klein herself is a controversial figure. In 2011, she was very active in the Occupy Wall Street movement [383] – giving speeches at two large events [384] – where she sought to invigorate activists to combine their efforts with the environmentalists. That same year, she attended a demonstration outside the White House protesting the Keystone XL pipeline, where she was arrested. [386] Ms. Klein's extreme behavior may be a liability for billionaire foundations who want to maintain close control of the way their money is used. Conveniently, the SMF provides a means for the Billionaire's Club to distance themselves from the activist Ms. Klein, while still funding her work."*
- ▶ New evidence of liberal establishment backing of Occupy Wall Street (OWS) emerged after the election of Donald Trump. OWS joined the Women's March umbrella group while its front page headline on occupywallst.nyc (accessed: February 2, 2017) read: *"Inaugurate the resistance: How do we*

## Occupy Wall Street: Anonymous



- ▶ The Anonymous hacking group has been listed here on ISGP as "liberal CIA" since 2016. It has proved impossible though to figure out financing or any behind-the-scenes handling. However, Anonymous became active again in the wake of the George Floyd murder by the police and started supporting (the Soros and Ford Foundation-funded) [Black Lives Matter](#) group, riots, looting, the stigmatization of all cops, and a coup against Trump, as well as the removal of Putin. At that point it became all too obvious that Anonymous most certainly is "liberal CIA".
- ▶ 2016 additions:
  - ▶ A network of friends and associates involving David Seaman, Dell Cameron, Amber Lyon, Abby Martin, and Barrett Brown have been backing Anonymous and Edward Snowden in the alternative circuit and are all situated solidly in the Rockefeller-Soros corner. Biographies of Cameron and Martin have been taken up in ISGP's [no-planer list for 9/11](#).
  - ▶ November 22, 2015, Sunday Express, 'Hacker group Anonymous claims ISIS is planning 'worldwide day of terror' TODAY': *"The cyber attackers declared war on the jihadis, also known as ISIL and Daesh, in the wake of the Paris attacks last week. And now the group has released a statement claiming the terrorists are planning up to EIGHT attacks on the same day - November 22. Alongside the hashtags #22Daesh #OpParis, they published a list of events in France, the United States, Indonesia, Italy and Lebanon which are reportedly being targeted. They include the WWE wrestling event at the Philips Arena in Atlanta, Georgia and a performance by an American*

*heavy metal band in Milan."*

► 2020 and later additions:

- The screenshots at the top should be enough to reveal Anonymous' real face in relation to Black Lives Matter support.
- October 14, 2020, Memri.org, 'Anonymous Greece Hacks Turkish Parliament Website, Brings Down 150 Azerbaijani Government Websites In Support Of Armenia': *"[It] was hacked to display the message: 'Turkish Assembly Pwned [i.e. 'owned'] by (Greek-Armenia); Armenia will win this war against evil Turkey and Azerbaijan; Killing innocent people and kids makes you terrorist.'" ... On October 1, Anonymous Greece made two successive posts stating that it had brought down a total of over 150 websites belonging to the Azerbaijani government."*
- September 20, 2020, The Guardian, 'Hackers leak data on 1,000 Belarusian police officers; Security forces will not remain anonymous, anti-Lukashenko protesters say': *"'As the arrests continue, we will continue to publish data on a massive scale," said a statement distributed by the opposition news channel Nexta Live on the messaging app Telegram. "No one will remain anonymous, even under a balaclava." ... The government said 390 women were detained for taking part in a protest on Saturday against Lukashenko. Most have been released. ... Among those detained was one of the most prominent faces of the protest movement, the 73-year-old activist Nina Baginskaya, although she was later released. ... Minsk reacted angrily on Saturday to reports that Svetlana Tikhonovskaya, the leading opposition candidate in last month's election, could soon meet EU foreign ministers."*

### **People for the American Way (PFAW)**

- Together with the Institute for Policy Studies and the ACLU, one of the premier elite-backed "new left" activist groups in existence. It was founded in 1981 by [Norman Lear](#) and [Tony Podesta](#), the latter the brother of later Clinton chief of staff John Podesta.
- 1993, Foundation News, Volume 34, p. 27: *"Some of the nonprofit projects spawned at Tides include People for the American Way, the International Rivers Network..."*
- Ford Foundation grants to PFAW (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants 2006-2015): "  
- [ID] 120281. People for the American Way Foundation ... Core



*support for the Young Elected Officials Network to unite young elected officials who share a passion for building communities that reflect the values of freedom, fairness and opportunity. 2013. \$300,000.*

*- 118126. People for the American Way Foundation ... 2011. \$200,000.*

*- 115545. People for the American Way Foundation ... 2010 \$200,000.*

*- 111030. People for the American Way Foundation ... 2009 \$121,931."*

Total: \$821,931.

- ▶ Harold K. Hochschild Foundation (in existence 1980-2012) of the Hochschild family, which founded Mother Jones, finances all the same NGOs: [hkhfoundation.org/grantees](http://hkhfoundation.org/grantees) (accessed: November 30, 2011): *"Institute for Policy Studies ... People for the American Way..."*

- ▶ Rockefeller grants to PFAW:

- ▶ January 18, 2005, Capital Research Center, 'The Rockefeller Brothers Fund and Rockefeller Family Fund: How a Great Capitalist's Fortune Came to Fund Anti-Capitalist Causes': *"The Rockefeller Family Fund is proud that its categories of grantmaking have changed very little since the fund's creation. But in 2003-04, most of the grants made by the fund had a single purpose—defeating President Bush. The fund did give \$150,000 to Columbia University to support Campaigndesk.org, a nonpartisan source for election reporting. But among the fund's 2003 and 2004 grants [included] \$150,000 to People for the American Way "for the Democracy Now Project"..."*

- ▶ Rockefeller Brothers Fund: [rbf.org/grantees/people-american-way-foundation](http://rbf.org/grantees/people-american-way-foundation) (accessed: November 29, 2015): *"\$40,000 for 1 year. Awarded: May 30, 2008 ... \$90,000 for 3 years. Awarded: June 15, 2006 ... \$25,000 for 1 year. Awarded: October 7, 2005."*

- ▶ George Soros Open Society Foundations grants to PFAW:

- ▶ September 30, 2008, NPR, 'McCain, GOP Senators Challenged On Pay Equity For Women': *"Since 2004, People for the American Way's foundation has received \$2.6 million from George Soros' Open Society Institute, according to data from the Foundation Center. The advocacy organization and its charitable foundation also received \$900,000 from the Miriam G. and Ira D. Wallach Foundation; \$810,000 from the family foundation of Lear; \$575,000 from the Bauman Family Foundation; and \$500,000 from the Evelyn and Walter Haas, Jr. Fund. People for the American Way has also received some money from labor unions.""*

- ▶ [opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/people-american-way-young-people:](http://opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/people-american-way-young-people)

*"People for the American Way / Young People For... 2008 Washington, D.C. \$400,000 1 year... "*

- ▶ [opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/young-elected-officials-network-and-young-people](https://opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/young-elected-officials-network-and-young-people): *"2010 \$850,000 2 years ... to support the Young Elected Officials Network (YEO) and Young People For (YP4), two leadership development programs housed at the People For the American Way Foundation."*
- ▶ [opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/people-american-way-foundation](https://opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/us-programs/grantees/people-american-way-foundation): *"2012 ... \$700,000 ..."*

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### Other 98%

- ▶ Activist news site primarily focused on anti-pharma abuses. Key members have been involved in countless "liberal CIA" activist operations in previous years.
- ▶ August 6, 2017, New York Times, 'Political Donors Put Their Money Where the Memes Are': *"John Sellers ... started a Facebook page called The Other 98% several years ago to promote his views on environmentalism, corporate greed and other progressive causes. The page has five million followers, and its nonprofit affiliate has received funding from donors including Open Society Foundations..."*
- ▶ [other98.com/mission/the-team/](http://other98.com/mission/the-team/) (accessed: February 22, 2018): *"John Sellers: John is Executive Director and cofounder*

of Other98. John is a principal at Agit-Pop ([agit-pop.com](http://agit-pop.com)) and President of The [Ruckus Society](#). John worked with [Greenpeace](#) during the 90s, directing their Washington DC office, sailing with their Marine Division and coordinating dozens of nonviolent actions throughout the US. In the last 20 years he has coordinated scores of creative actions for the dozens of organizations from the SteelWorkers to CREDO to SEIU to the Students for a Free Tibet.

**Samantha Corbin:** Samantha is the Action and Trainings Director for Other 98%. She is also a lead trainer with The [Ruckus Society](#), a founding member of the New York Action Network, cofounder of Occupy Sandy, and cofounder of Movement Net Lab. She has delivered countless trainings in creative nonviolence, affinity group organizing, strategic planning, scouting and high-tech action.

**Kelly Mears:** Kelly is our Technical Director. He has an extensive background in web development and online strategy, having built websites, apps, content management systems and other online tools for organizations such as United to End Genocide, SEIU, Credo, and [the Soros-funded] [MoveOn.org](#). As a founding organizer of [Occupy DC](#), Kelly trained dozens of "non-techies" in web development and livestreaming, and organized "hackathons" with groups like Sunlight Laboratories and the Open Technology Initiative at New America Foundation.

**Andy Menconi:** Andy is the Artistic Director and Cofounder of Other98. ... While working as a web designer for Bank of America, he won 'Bush in 30 Years': a flash animation contest sponsored by [the Soros-funded] [MoveOn.org](#), which opened the door to being the graphics guy for many progressive political organizations."

- ▶ **Caitlyn McClure:** Caty is Other 98%'s Director of Development. ... She has also organized and played support roles for protests with groups like Anti-Racist Action DC and The Tribe. As a founding member of [Occupy DC](#)...

## Project Censored

- ▶ Well known online publication in alternative/conspiracy circles that annually publishes the 25 "most censored" stories of that year.
- ▶ [projectcensored.org/why-support-project-censored/](http://projectcensored.org/why-support-project-censored/) (accessed: November 21, 2015): "Media Freedom Foundation is the fiscal Non-profit Fund Raising Corporation that Supports Project Censored and related Media Freedom Efforts. The following is a list of foundations that have supported Project Censored and the Media Freedom Foundation in the Past: The Caipirinha Foundation ... Working Assets ... Agape Foundation

*[received major financing from the large [San Francisco Foundation](#)] ... [Tides Foundation](#) ... [Nation Institute](#)... [Stern Family Fund](#)...."*

- ▶ The Nation magazine and the The Nation Institute receive financing from many of the major foundations. The magazine was largely rebuilt by Soros man Hamilton Fish V, who also headed The Nation Institute for many years.
- ▶ The Tides Foundation, as this article demonstrates, clearly has a strategic partnership with Rockefeller, Ford, Soros, Bill Gates and related foundations.
- ▶ The now defunct Agape Foundation was small and low profile, but does show up here and there in the grants lists of the Tides/Threshold Foundation, as well as the [San Francisco Foundation](#) with numbers in the tens of thousands involved. 2002 annual report, Threshold Foundation, p.15: *"Unity Foundation/Agape Foundation was founded in 1976 for the purpose of promoting world peace, cooperation and unity. [Works] toward a permanent elected body representing the people within an evolving United Nations. \$4,030,-. San Francisco People's Assembly project. 744 Treat Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94110."* 2004 Tides Foundation grants list: *"Agape Foundation. \$500.00. UNITED STATES. [www.agapefn.org](http://www.agapefn.org)."*
- ▶ The Stern Family Fund was controlled by Philip Stern, a wealthy Democrat activist close to Bilderberg steering committee member George Ball and who had once received a Rockefeller Fellowship.
- ▶ [projectcensored.org](http://projectcensored.org), 'About Us' (accessed: November 21, 2015): *"In 1976, Dr. Carl Jensen founded Project Censored at Sonoma State University... Sociologist Dr. Peter Phillips became director in 1996... In 2000, the Project came under the oversight of the non-profit Media Freedom Foundation, founded by Jensen and Phillips, to ensure its independence."*
- ▶ May 1, 2015, Peter Martin Phillips for The Press Democrat, 'Close to Home: A life shedding light on areas left dark by corporate media': *"Carl Jensen founded Project Censored at Sonoma State University in 1976. The Project has remained a distinguishing aspect of the university's curriculum for 39 years. ... But his legacy is not fully encompassed by his published work. It also includes the hundreds of undergraduate students, at Sonoma State and in classrooms across the nation, who each year research news stories from the independent press to determine if those stories were censored in the corporate media. Faculty experts review the stories for credibility and then post them on Project Censored's website. In April of each year, all the students and faculty vote on the hundreds of nominated stories and 25 are*

*selected for publication in Project's annual yearbooks. Mickey Huff, a professor of history at Diablo Valley College, has been director of Project Censored since 2010. Andy Roth, a professor of sociology at Pomona College, is associate director. Carl Jensen is present within us all at Project Censored. Peter Phillips is president of the Media Freedom Foundation/Project Censored, past director of Project Censored (1996-2010) and a professor of sociology at Sonoma State University."*

- ▶ Peter Martin Phillips is primarily respected in the conspiracy community for his [1994 Ph.D. dissertation on the Bohemian Grove](#).
- ▶ 9/11:
  - ▶ Controversy erupted in 2007 when Project Censored included 9/11 WTC collapse researcher Steven Jones in their list of censored stories. Two members of its panel of judges resigned because of it.
  - ▶ Peter Martin Phillips was the keynote speaker at the 14th annual 9/11 Truth Film Festival on September 11, 2018, talking about his book *Giants: The Global Power Elite*.
- ▶ [projectcensored.org/about/](http://projectcensored.org/about/) (accessed: November 21, 2015): *"About MFI: The Media Freedom Foundation (MFF) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation established in 2000... The MFF raises funds for and works closely with Project Censored, and other investigative research and media related organizations. Founder: Carl Jensen... Board of Directors: Peter Phillips (President), [peter@projectcensored.org](mailto:peter@projectcensored.org)... Abby Martin: [abby.suzanne@gmail.com](mailto:abby.suzanne@gmail.com)..."*
- ▶ [projectcensored.org/category/top-25-censored-stories-of-2014/page/3/](http://projectcensored.org/category/top-25-censored-stories-of-2014/page/3/) (accessed: November 21, 2015): *"1. Ocean Acidification Increasing at Unprecedented Rate. It's well known that burning fossil fuels in the form of coal, oil, and natural gas releases carbon dioxide (CO2) into the air. Less understood is that a quarter of this carbon dioxide—about twenty trillion pounds, every year—is absorbed by oceans. Writing for the Seattle Times Craig Welch invited us to "imagine every person on..." 2. Top Ten US Aid Recipients All Practice Torture. ... 3. WikiLeaks Revelations on Trans-Pacific Partnership Ignored by Corporate Media. ... 4. Corporate Internet Providers Threaten Net Neutrality. ... 5. Bankers Back on Wall Street Despite Major Crimes. ... 6. The Deep State: Government "without Reference to the Consent of the Governed"... 7. FBI Dismisses Murder Plot against Occupy Leaders as NSA and Big Business Cracks Down on Dissent. In October 2011, when the Occupy movement arrived in Houston, protesters were subject to local and federal surveillance, infiltration by police provocateurs, and police assault. Months later, Dave Lindorff reported for WhoWhatWhy, a document obtained in December 2012 from the Houston FBI office shows that the agency was aware of a plot to assassinate Occupy*

movement leaders—and did nothing about it. ... 11. *Wealthy Donors and Corporations Set Think Tanks' Agendas*. Think tanks provide information and analysis to policy makers and the public, making them increasingly influential institutions in our political process. However, many think tanks—including the Brookings Institution, Heritage Foundation, American Enterprise Institute, Cato Institute, and the RAND Corporation, among others—receive significant financial backing from extremely wealthy corporations and/or individuals. ... For example, the Center for American Progress instructs its analysts to consult the organization's development staff (who maintain the closest contacts with donors and potential donors) before publishing findings that might upset its contributors. In its study of the nation's top twenty-five think tanks, FAIR finds that all have received money from corporations, foundations, government, or major individual donors. ... FAIR found that almost two-thirds of the top twenty-five think tanks have taken money from oil companies, with thirteen funded by ExxonMobil, nine by Chevron, and four by Shell. Representatives of Big Energy also serve as members of many think tanks' boards. Similarly, half of the top twenty-five think tanks receive money from weapon manufacturers. ... 14. *Accumulating Evidence of Ongoing Wireless Technology Health Hazards*. ... 17. *2016 Will Find Gaza out of Drinking Water*."

- ▶ [kpfa.org/program/project-censored/](http://kpfa.org/program/project-censored/) (accessed: November 25, 2015): "The Project Censored Show is a weekly public affairs program that airs Fridays from 1-2 P.M. Pacific time on KPFA Pacifica Radio. The program is an extension of the work Project Censored began in 1976... The program focuses on The News That Didn't Make the News. Each week, co-hosts Mickey Huff and Peter Phillips conduct in depth interviews with their guests and offer hard hitting commentary on the key political, social, and economic issues of the day with an emphasis on critical media literacy. The program began broadcasting in 2010 and is nationally syndicated on over 20 stations."
- ▶ March 28, 2013, [earth-matters.nl](http://earth-matters.nl), 'Project Censored: The Movie!' ("liberal CIA" assets everywhere): "This film, made by former PC Sonoma State University student Doug Hecker and longtime Project supporter Christopher Oscar, features original interviews about PC and media censorship with [Noam Chomsky](#), [Howard Zinn](#), Michael Parenti [ANSWER], [Greg Palast](#), [Oliver Stone](#), [Daniel Ellsberg](#), Peter Kuznick, Cynthia McKinney, Nora Barrows-Friedman, [John Perkins](#), Jonah Raskin, Khalil Bendib, [Pacifica and KPFA Free Speech Radio](#) personalities, [Abby Martin](#) of Breaking the Set, Al Jazeera English, several PC affiliated faculty, students, and features Project founder Dr. Carl Jensen, former director and

*president of the Media Freedom Foundation Dr. Peter Phillips, current director Prof. Mickey Huff, and associate director Dr. Andy Lee Roth and much, much MORE!"*

## Sundance Film Festival

- ▶ The Sundance Film Festival is a project of the Sundance Institute, founded in 1981 by Robert Redford.
  - ▶ Post-2000 Robert Redford was a member of the bizarre but high-level [World Commission on Global Consciousness and Spirituality](#), which at the very least was active from August 1998 to 2011. The World Commission consisted of an overall council and 17 sub-councils, including ones on "Global Citizenship" and "Planetary Security", not just stacked with elites as the Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu, Al Gore, Mikhail Gorbachev and the Jordanian royals, but also Coast to Coast AM spiritual gurus Deepak Chopra, Rupert Sheldrake, Fred Alan Wolf and the more recent Andrew Weil. Hillary Clinton's spiritual guru, Jean Houston, was among the council members. So was the ["chemtrail congressman" Dennis Kucinich](#). And so were Bono of U2 and Michael Douglas.
- ▶ Financing of the Sundance Institute:
  - ▶ [sundance.org/support/foundation-giving](#) (accessed: March 13, 2017): *"Annenberg Foundation ... Doris Duke Charitable Foundation ... Ford Foundation ... Knight Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation ... Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Open Society Foundations. Skoll Foundation. Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. Time Warner Foundation."*
  - ▶ January 19, 2014, Deadline.com, 'Sundance: Documentary Program Gets \$5M Grant From George Soros' Foundation': *"The George Soros-founded Open Society Foundations announced today that is handing over a \$5 million grant to the Sundance Institute to help foster films about social issues through the Institute's emerging filmmaker Labs."*
- ▶ A number of promoted documentaries: Metallica, Some Kind of Monster (2004). An Inconvenient Truth (2006) and An Inconvenient Sequel (2017). Bigger, Stronger, Faster (2008). Gonzo: The Life and Work of Dr. Hunter S. Thompson (2008). U2 3D (2008). [Pizzagate](#)-related: Marina Abramovic: The Artist is Present (2012; Habsburg-backed) and A Portrait of Marina Abramovic (2013; Rockefeller-backed). Pussy Riot: A Punk Prayer (2013).
- ▶ January 20, 2017, Vox, 'Sundance 2017: Robert Redford says the festival isn't political. Its opening night gala starred Al



Gore!': *"The first night of Sundance 2017 just happens to fall on the eve of Donald Trump's inauguration, and having been to a few Sundance opening nights in the past, I can tell you: The mood is weird. Earlier in the day, at the opening press conference, Robert Redford (the festival's founder) strenuously argued that Sundance isn't political...*

*But Redford's demurral can seem like protesting too much — especially this year, when the documentaries section includes films about police brutality, ISIS, Gawker's shutdown, and [Trump himself](#) [i.e., the super-anti-Trump-biased [Trumped: Inside the Greatest Political Upset of All Time](#), produced by a son of [Morton Halperin](#)]. And on Saturday, the Park City edition of the [Women's March on Washington](#) will proceed down Main Street, right through the middle of the festival. ...*

*Perhaps the one factor that tempers Redford's political distancing is the selection of the opening night film — [An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power](#), the follow-up to [An Inconvenient Truth](#) (2006)..."*

### TikTok: Gen. Z for Change

- ▶ Activist group founded in 2020 by the gay Aidan Kohn-Murphy as a TikTok account named @TikTokforBiden. From 2011 to 2015 Kohn-Murphy's father, Chris Murphy, was chief of chaff for the half-black Washington, D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray, after which he became George Washington University's "vice president for governmental relations and community engagement". Meanwhile, Kohn-Murphy's mother, Laurie Cohn, is director and associate dean of the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics, also at George Washington University. His parents groomed him from the youngest age to be a lawyer-type activist:

- ▶ May 21, 2023 YouTube upload by 'Aidan Kohn-Murphy', entitled 'Aidan Kohn-Murphy Chocolate Milk Testimony' (speaking at a seemingly all-black hearing): *"[Reads from a paper:] Hi, I'm Aidan Kohn-Murphy. I am 7 years old. ... Thank you for letting me talk today. I am here, because I want to get chocolate milk back in public schools. ... You passed a law that said, "No kids in D.C. public schools would buy chocolate milk." The law only allows kids to buy white milk at schools..."*
- ▶ July 18, 2022, Moco360.media, 'How a Georgetown Day grad's political savvy has made him a TikTok star; Aidan Kohn-Murphy, 18...': *"Twenty-seven days before the 2020 presidential election, a new account called @TikTokforBiden posted its first video. ... Since the election, the @TikTokforBiden handle has become @GenZforChange..."*

*His mother directs the legal clinics at George Washington University, and his father, who served as former D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray's chief of staff, is Georgetown University's vice president for government relations and community engagement. Kohn-Murphy, an incoming Harvard freshman..."*

- ▶ August 7, 2015, Georgetown.edu, 'Former Mayor's Chief of Staff to Become First VP for Government Relations and Community Engagement': *"Chris Murphy (L'98) ... served as chief of staff to [the half-black] Washington, D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray from 2011-2015, [and] will become Georgetown's new vice president for governmental relations and community engagement on Monday. In his new position, Murphy will coordinate the university's engagement with community groups...*

*Before serving as Gray's chief of staff, the former editor of The Georgetown Law Journal was deputy chief of staff for U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Shaun Donovan (2010-2011). He served as general counsel and executive director of human resources for Atlantic Media Company [which owns century-old "new left" The Atlantic magazine, since 2017 owned by Laurence Powell Jobs' Emerson Collective] from 2008 to 2010."*

- ▶ [twitter.com/lauriekohngwlaw](https://twitter.com/lauriekohngwlaw) (accessed: Jan. 30, 2024; 85 followers): *"GW law prof - family law and domestic violence. Proud Washingtonian but Bostonian at heart. Baseball mom of two and media mom to @kohnmurphsikids."*
- ▶ [linkedin.com/posts/laurie-kohn-381b03221\\_world-forum-for-democracy-2023-aidan-kohn-murphy-activity-7136310871470804993-v\\_JZ/](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/laurie-kohn-381b03221_world-forum-for-democracy-2023-aidan-kohn-murphy-activity-7136310871470804993-v_JZ/) (accessed: Jan. 30, 2024; post "2 mo." old at this point.) The post links to a Vimeo video on the account of "Council of Europe OP Services" with the title 'World Forum for Democracy 2023: Aidan KOHN-MURPHY Founder, Gen-Z for Change USA'.
- ▶ [law.gwu.edu/clinics](https://law.gwu.edu/clinics) (accessed: Jan. 30, 2024): *"The Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics operate under the direction of Associate Dean Laurie S. Kohn. ... The Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics were founded in 1971, and were dedicated in 1991 to acknowledge the generous support of Jacob Burns (LLB '24, Hon. LLC '70). A longtime trustee of the University, Burns (1902-1993) was renowned as a lawyer, artist, and philanthropist."*
- ▶ [law.gwu.edu/clinics-50th-anniversary](https://law.gwu.edu/clinics-50th-anniversary) (accessed: Jan. 30, 2024): *"From 1959-1968 GW Law alumnus William "Bill" Pincus (JD '53), the visionary who conceived of the idea of clinical legal education, funded two-year pilot clinical programs across the nation through his position as an executive with the [Ford Foundation](#). He envisioned*

*clinics much as they are today — as programs supervised by law school faculty which would give academic credit to students for lawyer–client experiences that would promote access to justice..."*

- ▶ After the Biden election of November 2020, @TikTokforBiden was changed to the broader NGO Gen. It consistently received support from Obama and Biden, as well as the media:

- ▶ March 11, 2022, Washington Post, 'The White House invited content creators to learn more about the crisis in Ukraine': *"The White House has been closely watching TikTok's rise as a dominant news source, leading to its decision to approach a select group of the platform's most influential names. This week, the administration began working with Gen Z For Change, a nonprofit advocacy group, to help identify top content creators on the platform to orchestrate a briefing... 30 top TikTok stars gathered on a Zoom call... The briefing was led by Matt Miller, a special adviser for communications at the White House National Security Council, and ... White House press secretary Jen Psaki..."*

*Kahlil Greene, 21, a creator with more than 534,000 followers on TikTok, said he wasn't surprised when an invitation arrived... Jules Terpak, a Gen Z content creator who makes TikTok essays about digital culture, said the White House's decision to engage creators such as she was essential in helping to stop the spread of misinformation. ...*

*Within hours of the briefing's conclusion, the influencers began blasting out messaging to their millions of followers. A video posted by Marcus DiPaola, a news creator on TikTok, offered key takeaways from the meeting in a video that has been viewed more than 300,000 times. Greene also posted a recap, adding his own critical analysis at the end, calling out the Biden administration for not "acknowledging its role in other occupations and invasions around the world."*

- ▶ April 28, 2022 YouTube upload by 'Gen-Z for Change', 'Discussing Digital Organizing With President Obama' (just 1,300 views by Jan. 2024, with many videos having 50-500 views total): *[Description:] "President Obama visited Stanford University to deliver a keynote speech about disinformation and challenges to democracy in the digital information realm. Our Director of Operations, Elise Joshi, attended his speech and was invited to join a small conversation with President Obama where she discussed using TikTok for digital organizing and news."*
- ▶ March 13, 2022, SNL YouTube upload, 'White House TikTok Meeting Cold Open - SNL' (parody on TikTok White House meeting).

► Positions:

- [genzforchange.org/our-priorities/](https://genzforchange.org/our-priorities/) (accessed: Jan. 30, 2024): *"Our Priorities: As Gen-Z activists and organizers, we care deeply about a myriad of issues: Climate Justice. Worker's Rights and Economic Justice. Gender Equality and Reproductive Rights. Voting Rights. LGBTQ+ Rights. Gun Safety. Health Justice. Indigenous Justice. Racial Justice. Immigration."*
- [genzforchange.org/about/](https://genzforchange.org/about/) (accessed: Jan. 30, 2024): *"Meet the team Yes, we're all Gen-Z! Aidan Kohn-Murphy: Founder. About Aidan: Aidan Kohn-Murphy is a 19-year-old political organizer, born and raised in Washington DC, and now a freshman at Harvard University. He is the Founder of Gen-Z for Change and served as Executive Director for almost two years before transitioning to his current role as Senior Advisor. Aidan has nearly 300,000 followers on TikTok and was selected as a member of the Forbes under 30 Class of 2023. In his spare time, Aidan can be found reading about random gubernatorial elections that took place 40 years ago.*  
*- Elise Joshi, Executive Director. About Elise: Elise Joshi is a 20-year-old organizer and student at UC Berkeley. During her time as Strategy Director, she facilitated and led Gen-Z for Change's labor actions by working with coders, content creators, and labor unions."*

► Soros ties:

- Sep. 16, 2023, New York Post, 'Joe Biden's 'TikTok Army' received hundreds of thousands from George Soros to push left-wing causes, bash conservatives': *"Soros' Open Society Foundation[s] shelled out \$5.5 million to the nonprofit Accelerate Action Inc. in 2020 and 2021 — which in turn gave at least \$300,000 in 2022 to another nonprofit, Gen Z for Change, which boasts a network of 500 "activists, organizers, and creators," tax filings show."*
- 2021 Form 990, Accelerate Action: *"2021: ... Center for Popular Democracy Action Fund Inc.: ... \$100,000. ... Gen-Z for Change Inc.: ... \$300,000. ... Parents Together Action: ... \$2,440,000."*

## Union of Concerned Scientists

- Set up the Jan.-Feb. 2006 survey of Food and Drug Administration (FDA) scientists, which had 18.4% of these scientists confirming that they had been asked, *"for non-scientific reasons, to inappropriately exclude or alter technical information, or conclusions based on that data, in an FDA scientific document."*<sup>82</sup> The Union of Concerned

Scientists set up many other surveys of government employees, but the agenda behind it appears to mainly have been a "Get Bush" campaign.

► Funding:

- 2003 annual report, Union of Concerned Scientists, pp. 18, 32: "\$100,000+: ... [Energy Foundation](#) ... [Ford Foundation](#) ... [Hewlett Foundation](#) ... [Joyce Foundation](#) ... [MacArthur Foundation](#) ... [John Merck Fund](#). [Oak Foundation](#). [Ploughshares Fund](#). \$50,000-\$99,999: ... [Wallace Global Fund](#). ... \$10,000-\$24,999: ... [Paul Newman](#). ... [Foundation of Jackson Hole](#) ... [Matching Gift Companies: Adobe](#) ... [Amgen Foundation](#) ... [Chase Manhattan Foundation](#) ... [Cleveland H. Dodge Foundation](#) ... [Flora Family Foundation](#). [MasterCard International](#). [Microsoft Matching Gifts Program](#). [Pfizer, Inc.](#)"

### Voting: honest elections

- The following voting-related groups have received financing from the Tides Foundation, from several tens of thousands to over a million each:
  - [Black Box Voting \(Bev Harris\)](#)
  - FairVOTE
  - [Greg Palast Investigative Fund](#)
  - Mass Vote
  - Project Vote
  - Rock the Vote
  - Vote Now
  - Voter Action
  - Voter Punch
  - VoteVets
  - Voto Latino

### Wikileaks

- World-famous whistleblowers group founded in 2003 by Julian Assange. Stood at the base of numerous international leaks and subsequent scandals, generally revealing abuses of government.
- July 19, 2010, Belfast Telegraph, 'Wanted by the CIA: Julian Assange': "[Assange:] I'm constantly annoyed that people are distracted by false conspiracies such as 9/11, when all around we provide evidence of real conspiracies, for war or mass financial fraud."
- Wikileaks is backed by the [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#), which in turn is financed by the [Foundation for National](#)

[Progress](#) - which in turn is heavily financed by the Rockefeller, Carnegie, Soros and Ford foundations. Edward Snowden is a director of the Freedom of the Press Foundation.

- ▶ [freedom.press/wikileaks](http://freedom.press/wikileaks) (accessed: November 25, 2015):  
*"Freedom of the Press takes donations on behalf of Wikileaks..."*

- ▶ **Sarah Harrison** has been a key employee of Wikileaks since 2010 while working as an intern at the [Soros, Ford and Park Foundation](#)-financed **Centre for Investigative Journalism** (CIJ). CIJ had been co-founded by veteran journalist **Gavin MacFadyen**, a major supporter of Wikileaks since the group's founding in 2006 who has been described as "a mentor" to Julian Assange. Then, since 2010, Harrison worked as a junior researcher at the Bureau of Investigative Journalism, which was founded by the CIJ and has also received [Soros](#) money, as well as from [Oxfam](#) and Google. In 2013 Harrison accompanied Edward Snowden from Hong Kong to Moscow on behalf of Wikileaks to seek asylum in Russia.

- ▶ June 23, 2013, The Guardian, 'Edward Snowden's WikiLeaks escort one of Assange's closest advisors':  
*"Sarah Harrison ... is one of Julian Assange's closest advisors. She began her involvement with the group when as an intern at the UK-based [and Soros/Ford/Park Foundation-backed] Centre for Investigative Journalism, she was assigned to Assange ahead of WikiLeaks' publication of the Afghan war logs. ... Snowden was travelling [to Russia] with a person whose surname was Harrison."*

- ▶ September 26, 2013, Counterpunch, 'The Unsung Hero of the NSA Revelations': *"In July 2012, while Assange was unavailable, Harrison stepped forward to announce the release of the Syria Files at the Frontline Club in London. She played a crucial role in enabling Snowden to leave Hong Kong and accompanied him on the fateful journey to Russia."*

- ▶ [tcij.org/about-cij/our-funders](http://tcij.org/about-cij/our-funders) (accessed: April 2, 2017):  
*"Open Society Institute, the Park Foundation..."*

- ▶ 2006-2016 Ford Foundation grants list (accessed: April 2, 2017): *"Center of Investigative Journalism ... 2011: \$100,000. ... 2012: \$150,000. ... 2014: \$245,000. ... 2015: \$153,000 [and] \$200,000."*

- ▶ [thebureauinvestigates.com/about-us/our-funding](http://thebureauinvestigates.com/about-us/our-funding) (accessed: April 2, 2017): *"The Bureau has been or is currently supported by: ... Freedom of the Press Foundation; ... Google; ... Open Society Foundations; Oxfam..."*

- ▶ October 27, 2016, New York Times, 'Gavin MacFadyen, 76, Mentor and Defender of WikiLeaks Founder, Dies':  
*"Gavin MacFadyen, an American investigative journalist*

*who became an early mentor and defender of the [2006] founder of WikiLeaks, Julian Assange... [He] co-founded the nonprofit [Soros, Ford, Park Foundation-supported] Center for Investigative Journalism in London in 2003, a training program in skeptical reporting, and WhistleblowersUK ... He was a director of WikiLeaks and, with his wife and another journalist, John Pilger, formed the Julian Assange Legal Defense Committee. ... Elaine Potter, a philanthropist and co-founder of the Bureau of Investigative Journalism, based in London, said... "He recognized the significance of WikiLeaks and made contact from the moment they arrived on the internet," she said. "He became obsessed with providing support for whistle-blowers."*

► MacFadyan joined the [Courage Foundation](#) as an advisory board member, with Harrison serving as an early executive director.

► **Jacob Appelbaum**, a key representative of Julian Assange and a co-creator of the anti-NSA [Tor Project](#), on which Wikileaks is running, has a background at [Greenpeace](#), the [Ruckus Society](#), the [Rainforest Action Network](#), and the [Freedom for the Press Foundation](#) - all groups that have been financed by elite foundations as Rockefeller, MacArthur, Turner and Ford.

► Incredibly, and as I only noticed a full year after creating this Appelbaum entry, is that **Appelbaum directly worked for George Soros' Open Society Institute, as well as the Soros and Omidyar-backed Tactical Technology Collective**. Pierre Omidyar, of course, also is the major financier of [The Intercept](#), the magazine specifically erected to expose the contents of the Edward Snowden documents.

► October 11, 2016, The Guardian, 'Power, secrecy and cypherpunks: how Jacob Appelbaum ripped Tor apart; Once part of Julian Assange's inner circle, the prominent tech activist is facing a slew of troubling allegations': "*[Appelbaum's] profile [soared] in 2010 when he stood in for Julian Assange as the keynote speaker at the Hackers on Planet Earth (Hope) conference in New York. ... Former colleagues say that **Appelbaum acted as a gatekeeper for Assange, controlling access to him...***

*Then in 2004, he started volunteering as a developer for the [Tor Project](#)...*

*Appelbaum started to build credibility through his work as a security specialist for non-profit organizations including Greenpeace, the [Open Society Institute](#), Tactical Tech, the Ruckus Society, Rainforest Action Network and Kink.com, a San Francisco BDSM porn site."*

► [tacticaltech.org/about/funding](#) (accessed: March 8, 2017): "Our main funders are the Oak Foundation, SIDA, the [Open Society Foundation](#), and the Sigrid Rausing



*Trust. We also receive grants from [Omidyar Network](#) and [AJWS](#)."*

- ▶ Shamir family ties:
  - ▶ Israel Shamir, a David Duke-supporting, anti-Semitic, Holocaust-denying representative of Wikileaks, has written articles for the [Lannan Foundation](#)-supported [Counterpunch](#). It appears Shamir has invented much of his past. He has been shuttling between Russia, Sweden and Israel as his homeland and has been covering conflict zones around Eurasia. His basic idea is that the Jews control the banks, the media and just about everything else.
  - ▶ Shamir's son Johannes Wahlstrom is a spokesperson for Wikileaks Sweden.
- ▶ Trump and Pizzagate:
  - ▶ Wikileaks played a curious role in the bogus [pizzagate](#) scandal. On November 4, 2016, it released another Podesta email batch containing the notorious "spirit cooking" email, which was just hours after a bogus internet hype of "pizza" and "pasta" code words had emerged. Then Wikileaks linked to 9/11 disinformation outfit We Are Change to expose the specific "spirit cooking" email in the worst, most biased way possible. This was days before the Trump-Clinton election, which Clinton lost.
  - ▶ Wikileaks' Donald Trump alliance actually puts it in a different class than every other "liberal CIA" outlet on this page. Nevertheless, Wikileaks has very obvious liberal establishment ties that need to be explained.
- ▶ Additional peculiar ties of Julian Assange and Wikileaks:
  - ▶ Julian Assange has had a sexual relationship with Pamela Anderson while stuck in the British embassy. ISGP suspected Anderson of liberal CIA involvement many years ago when [she appeared](#) on conspiracy disinformation show [Coast to Coast AM](#) with a ranking PETA official. Anderson and her foundation have been involved in quite a few "liberal CIA"-financed NGOs, mainly on the ecological front.

Amal Alamuddin Clooney, the wife of [George Clooney](#), is a lawyer to Julian Assange and Wikileaks. Alamuddin has very elite "liberal CIA" ties. Clooney has been revolving in the same network for many years as well.

## Green movement

### 350.org

- ▶ Focused on countering climate change.
- ▶ July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States

Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, 'The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA': *"A prominent example of a fiscal sponsor relationship is illustrated by the [secretive] Sustainable Markets Foundation (SMF) sponsorship of 350.org. Started by environmental activist Bill McKibben in 2008 [39], 350.org is based in Washington, DC [40] and Brooklyn, New York. [41] In a 2010 interview, McKibben referred to the state of 350.org during the preceding year as a "scruffy little outfit" with "almost no money." [42] Yet, isky.org, 350.org's precursor, reported expenses of over \$2.6 million between October 1, 2008, and September 30, 2009, and net assets of over \$2.1 million. [43] By 2012, 350.org disclosed expenses of over \$2.8 million and net assets of over \$3 million. [44] Between 2011 and 2014, 350.org separately collected hundreds of thousands of dollars from the Park Foundation [45], Rockefeller Brothers Foundation [46], Tides Foundation [47], Marisla Foundation [48], ClimateWorks Foundation [49], and Rockefeller Family Foundation [50] – through grants to SMF. ... Originally, Bill McKibben, the founder and President of 350.org started the movement through the 2013 "Do the Math" tour. [98] According to an article in Rolling Stone magazine, McKibben further argued that foundations should divest from fossil fuels because the industry's business plan to market its existing reserves contradicts the far-left efforts on climate change. [99]"*

- ▶ Schumann Center of Soros-ally, CFR member and Bilderberg steering committee member Bill Moyers:
  - ▶ 2008, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): *"Sustainable Markets Foundation... An 18-month grant of \$900,000 for general support of Project 350."*
  - ▶ 2011, Schumann Center, Form 990-PF (grants): *"350.org ... \$211,300."*

### Captain Planet Foundation

- ▶ Created by billionaire CNN mogul Ted Turner. Based on the cartoon *Captain Planet and the Planeteers* of 1990-1996, which was co-developed by Ted Turner. Directors of the foundation: Laura Turner Seydel (president and chair), Rutherford Seydel (secretary), Beau Turner (married into the Hunt family of Dallas), Rhett Turner and Teddy Turner. The foundation had some challenging periods, but was relaunched at Earth Day Kids Fest in 2003.
- ▶ July 1, 1990, Seattle Times, 'The Greening Of Ted Turner': *"There appears to be a lot of Robert Edward "Ted" Turner III in his latest brainchild, a globally syndicated, animated series*

called "Captain Planet and the Planeteeers."

- ▶ [captainplanetfoundation.org/about/](http://captainplanetfoundation.org/about/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"The Atlanta-based Captain Planet Foundation was co-founded by Ted Turner and Barbara Pyle in 1991 and now chaired by his daughter Laura Turner Seydel. The Foundation supports high-quality, hands-on environmental stewardship projects that have enabled more than 1.1M youth across the U.S. and around the world make significant environmental improvements to their schools or communities."*

## ClimateWorks Foundation

- ▶ Particularly closely locked in with the billionaire [Hewlett](#) and [Packard](#) foundations as a conduit for sustainable development financing.
- ▶ July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, 'The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA': *"The wealthy liberal elite have also formed public charities, including the Energy Foundation, the ClimateWorks Foundation, the Sustainable Markets Foundation, and the Tides Center, to coordinate and leverage their expenditures. Moreover, efforts like the recently exposed Democracy Alliance and the Divest/Invest Movement have pooled hundreds of millions of dollars in collective resources to funnel funds towards chosen activists. The Natural Resources Defense Council, Sierra Club, Environmental Defense Fund, League of Conservation Voters, Center for Biological Diversity, National Wildlife Federation, World Wildlife Fund, and other environmental activist organizations serve as the face of the movement and provide cover for where the secretive foundations direct their resources. ... Hal Harvey connects the Hewlett Foundation, the Energy Foundation and the ClimateWorks Foundation. He currently serves as CEO of Energy Innovation, an energy and environmental policy firm, and most recently assisted in the public release of the highly criticized<sup>113</sup> Risky Business Project, co-Chaired by Henry Paulson, Michael Bloomberg, and Tom Steyer.<sup>114</sup> Paulson is a former Secretary of the Treasury and current Chairman of the Paulson Institute,<sup>115</sup> which advocates for environmental protection in the United States and China.<sup>116</sup> ... Harvey was founder and CEO of ClimateWorks Foundation from 2008 to 2011, and served as the founder and President of the Energy Foundation from 1991 to 2002. From January 2002 through January 2008, he was the Environment Program Director of the Hewlett Foundation. [120] Harvey's successor at ClimateWorks was Mark Burget,*

*the former Chief Conservation Programs Officer at TNC [The Nature Conservancy]. [121] Burget has since returned to TNC as the Executive Vice President and North American Regional Director, and also currently serves on the Board of Directors at the Energy Foundation. [122] Burget was replaced by Charlotte Pera, who was formerly the Senior Vice President and Director of US Programs at the Energy Foundation. [123] Larry Kramer is also connected to this network as the current president of the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, as well as serving on the board of ClimateWorks Foundation. [124] William Reilly is another person with close connections to these individuals and organizations. Before his appointment to serve as EPA Administrator in 1989, Reilly was the President of the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). He returned to WWF in 1993 after his tenure at EPA, and is currently Chairman Emeritus of the Board of WWF. He is also Chairman Emeritus of the Board of ClimateWorks Foundation, director of the David and Lucille Packard Foundation, and is on the Advisory Board of the Nicholas Institute for Environment Policy Solutions at Duke University. [126] ... ClimateWorks Foundation donated \$80,000 to NRDC in 2012 and \$690,000 to UCS in 2012 ... Green Tech's modest webpage masks the fact that it receives millions of dollars from green nonprofit foundations and then distributes millions of dollars to 501(c)(4) groups that donate to political campaigns. One example involves the flow of money from the Hewlett Foundation and Packard Foundation through Green Tech. Between 2010 and 2012, both foundations donated hundreds of millions of dollars to ClimateWorks Foundation, a 501(c)(3) foundation.<sup>321</sup> ClimateWorks then gave nearly \$170 million to the Energy Foundation.<sup>322</sup> Hewlett and Packard gave directly to the Energy Foundation.<sup>323</sup> The Energy Foundation then gave \$5,676,000 to Green Tech, and ClimateWorks gave it \$1,520,000.<sup>324</sup> The Energy Foundation was incredibly brief, broad and vague in describing the purpose of its 2011 and 2012 grants of \$1 million, respectively, to Green Tech.."*

## **Conservation Foundation**

- July 12, 2004, AP, 'Laurance Rockefeller, billionaire philanthropist, dies at 94': "He founded the American Conservation Association in 1958 and was head of Jackson Hole Preserve Inc., a conservation organization that played a major role in protecting parts of the Grand Tetons in Wyoming and redwood trees in California. Rockefeller helped develop national parks in Wyoming, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Vermont, and chaired the White House Conference on Natural Beauty."

- ▶ November 1977, Heritage Foundation Reports, "The Environmental Complex": *"As part of its program on economics and the environment, the Conservation Foundation has undertaken a three-year project on "Business and the Environment" with Reilly as project director. This effort is being supported by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund... Other such grants [to the Conservation Foundation] for the years 1971 through 1976 are listed below... \* \$100,000 from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, New York, 1972, for budgetary support and development activities. ... \* \$500,000 from the German Marshall Fund of the United States, Washington, D.C., January 10, 1974 ... \* \$180,000 from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, June 18, 1974 ... \* \$132,000 from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, November 30, 1973... \* \$50,000 from the Ford Foundation, November 1975 ... \* \$275,000 from the Mellon Foundation, October 7, 1975 ... \$50,000 from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, May 20, 1976 .... \* \$85,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation, New York, 1975 ... [and several more grants]"*

## Conservation International

- ▶ Environmentalist group that has received financing from the [Rockefeller Foundation](#), [MacArthur Foundation](#) and [Ford Foundation](#). Queen Noor of Jordan, James Wolfensohn and a member of the billionaire [Pritzker](#) family have sat on the board, along with Hollywood stars Harrison Ford (vice chair) and Edward Norton. Peter Seligmann was brought to Conservation International by David Rockefeller and came to serve as long-time board chairman. For sources, go to [Harrison Ford's](#) biography in ISGP's article on Hollywood.

## Earth Charter

- ▶ [earthcharter.org/discover/](http://earthcharter.org/discover/) (accessed: March 26, 2016) *"The Earth Charter is an ethical framework for building a just, sustainable, and peaceful global society in the 21st century. It seeks to inspire in all people a new sense of global interdependence and shared responsibility for the well-being of the whole human family, the greater community of life, and future generations. It is a vision of hope and a call to action."*
- ▶ [earthcharter.org/about-eci/commission/](http://earthcharter.org/about-eci/commission/) (accessed: March 26, 2016): *"HRH Princess Basma Bint Talal, Jordan... Mikhail Gorbachev, Russia (Co-chair) [State of the World Forum] ... Ruud Lubbers [1001 Club, State of the World Forum], The Netherlands ... Maurice F. Strong, Canada, (Co-chair) [Institute of Noetic Sciences, 1001 Club, State of the World*

[Forum\]](#) ... Steven C. Rockefeller, United States..."

- ▶ [earthcharter.org/about-eci/council/](http://earthcharter.org/about-eci/council/) (accessed: March 26, 2016): *"Council Members Fritjof Capra (Austria/USA) [of the Esalen Institute]..."*
- ▶ [earthcharter.org/about-eci/advisors/](http://earthcharter.org/about-eci/advisors/) (accessed: March 26, 2016): *"Jan Pronk, The Netherlands..."*
- ▶ [earthcharter.org/discover/history-of-the-earth-charter/](http://earthcharter.org/discover/history-of-the-earth-charter/) (accessed: March 26, 2016): *"In 1987 The World Commission on Environment and Development (known as "the Brundtland Commission") launched Our Common Future Report with a call for a "new charter" to set "new norms" to guide the transition to sustainable development. Following that discussion about an Earth Charter took place in the process leading to the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, but the time for such a declaration was not right. The Rio Declaration became the statement of the achievable consensus at that time. In 1994, Maurice Strong (Secretary-General of the Rio Summit) and Mikhail Gorbachev, working through organizations they each founded (Earth Council and Green Cross International respectively), launched an initiative (with the support from the Dutch Government) to develop an Earth Charter as a civil society initiative. The initial drafting and consultation process drew on hundreds of international documents. An independent Earth Charter Commission was formed in 1997 to oversee the development of the text, analyze the outcomes of a world-wide consultation process and to come to agreement on a global consensus document. In March 1997 at the Rio+5 Forum, a first Benchmark Draft of the Earth Charter is released as a "document in progress". Ongoing international consultations were encouraged and organized. Please see "Influences shaping the Earth Charter". In April 1999 a Benchmark Draft II of the Earth Charter is released and international consultations continue particularly through Earth Charter National Committees and international dialogues.. After numerous drafts and after considering the input of people from all regions of the world, the Earth Charter Commission came to consensus on the Earth Charter in March, 2000, at a meeting held at UNESCO headquarters in Paris. The Earth Charter was later formally launched in ceremonies at The Peace Palace in The Hague. Over the following five years, a formal endorsement campaign attracted over 2,000 organizational endorsements, representing millions of people, including numerous national and international associations, and ultimately global institutions such as UNESCO and IUCN – The World Conservation Union. Many thousands of individuals also endorsed the Earth Charter. Efforts to have the Earth Charter formally recognized at the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, 2002, came very close to*

*success, resulting in numerous public statements of support from world leaders and heads of state. The Earth Charter is now increasingly recognized as a global consensus statement on the meaning of sustainability, the challenge and vision of sustainable development, and the principles by which sustainable development is to be achieved. It is used as a basis for peace negotiations, as a reference document in the development of global standards and codes of ethics, as resource for governance and legislative processes, as a community development tool, as an educational framework for sustainable development, and in many other contexts. The Charter was also an important influence on the Plan of Implementation for the UNESCO Decade for Education on Sustainable Development."*

### **Earth Day Network**

- ▶ The Earth Day Network, located at [earthday.org](http://earthday.org), coordinates all Earth Day events in over 190 countries globally. Earth Day was first celebrated in 1970. It has been a favorite vehicle of [Nelson Rockefeller](#), [Laurance Rockefeller](#), [Ted Turner](#), [Maurice Strong](#) and [Al Gore](#). The Hewlett Packard company, including the multi-billionaire [Hewlett](#) and [Packard](#) foundations were also represented through HP president and CEO John Young.
- ▶ Earth Day receives the bulk of its financing through major environmental organizations that in turn are financed by all the billion dollar liberal foundations.
- ▶ Founding/Leadership:
  - ▶ [rockinst.org/observations/diamondh/2009-01-improbable\\_tree-hugger.aspx](http://rockinst.org/observations/diamondh/2009-01-improbable_tree-hugger.aspx) (accessed: April 22, 2017): *"In 1970, Nelson [Rockefeller schemed] to form the nation's first environmental super-agency, the Department of Environmental Conservation. He signed the bill creating the Department on April 22, 1970, the first Earth Day. ... Nelson Rockefeller was an environmental author as well as a practitioner. In 1970, during the height of the original Earth Day fervor, he wrote a book entitled, Our Environment Can Be Saved. ... Nelson and Laurance [Rockefeller] were very close and conservation was one of Laurance's main interests. Laurance played a major role in creating Nelson's [environmental] record."*
  - ▶ April 12, 2010, Yale Environment 360, 'Beyond the Limits of Earth Day: Turning Up the Heat on Climate': *"Earth Day was bipartisan. Although there was some antagonism toward President Nixon [a conservative nevertheless greatly influenced by liberal establishmentarians as Nelson Rockefeller and Henry*



*Kissinger] among the organizers, the campaign was co-chaired by Democratic Senator Gaylord Nelson and Republican Congressman Pete McCloskey. The 1 million-person event in New York City was chaired by the progressive Republican mayor, John Lindsay [campaign had been back by New York governor Nelson Rockefeller, although they later fell out; belonged to Yale Scroll & Key; brother was chair, CEO and president of J.P. Morgan and a Pilgrims Society executive, a group Nelson Rockefeller also was a member of].*

*Denis Hayes was a student at Harvard Law School in 1970 when Sen. Gaylord Nelson tapped him to serve as national coordinator of the first Earth Day."*

- ▶ May 21, 2015, CNN iReport, 'New York Governor Nelson Rockefeller at the First Earth Day -- April 20, 1970 -- at Prospect Park, Brooklyn' [picture plus personal story]:  
*"Here is a photo I took of New York Governor Nelson Rockefeller speaking at an Earth Day rally in Prospect Park ... Gov. Rockefeller made a speech saying, "If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the pollution." He had a lot of trouble with hecklers."*
- ▶ 1990, Earth Day Network, U.S. national board of directors (PDF): *"Ralph Nader, Special Counsel. Gaylord Nelson [founder], Honorary Co-Chair ... Lester Brown ... [Sen.] John H. Chafee ... Mario Cuomo ... Sidney D. Drell ... Paul Ehrlich ... Albert Gore ... [Sen.] John Heinz ... Teresa Heinz ... Theodore M. Hesburgh ... Jim Hightower ... Jesse Jackson ... Mitchell Kapor [of the Electronic Frontier Foundation] ... [Governor] Thomas H. Kean ... John Kerry ... [Sen.] George J. Mitchell ... Laurance Rockefeller ... R.E. "Ted" Turner ..."*
- ▶ earthday.net/about/ww-council.stm (accessed: August 15, 2000): *"International Council: The People Behind Earth Day: ... Lester Brown: President, Worldwatch Institute ... Jane Goodall ... Robert Kennedy, Jr., Senior Attorney, Natural Resources Defense Council ... Queen Noor, Queen Mother, Jordan ... Maurice Strong, President, Earth Council ..."*
- ▶ earthday.net/about/Interntl\_council.aspx (accessed: February 12, 2008): *"Earth Day Network's International Council: ... Lester Brown ... Jane Goodall ... Robert Kennedy, Jr. ... Jonathan Lash ... Queen Noor [of Jordan] ... Peter Seligmann ... Gus Speth ... Maurice Strong ... David Suzuki ... [India, China, Russia also represented]..."*
- ▶ earthday.org/GAC (accessed: April 30, 2010): *"Earth Day 40th Anniversary Global Advisory Committee." The listed board is exactly the same as below in 2018. Earth Day existed for 40 years in 2010.*
- ▶ earthday.org/about/global-advisory-committee/ (accessed: May 21, 2018): *"Princess Lalla Hasnaa Alaoui of Morocco ... Sir Richard Branson ... Lester Brown,*

Founder, Earth Policy Institute; Founder, Worldwatch Institute ... Phillipe Cousteau Jr. ... Leonardo DiCaprio, (Co-Chair) ... Al Gore ... Denis Hayes (Chair), President and CEO, Bullitt Foundation; Coordinator of the First Earth Day (1970) ... Mrs. Gaylord Nelson, Wife of the late Senator Gaylord Nelson, the Founder of Earth Day. Shaquille O'Neal ... John Podesta. Carl Pope, Executive Director, [Sierra Club](#) ... U.S. Senator Bernard [\[Bernie\] Sanders](#) ... James Gustave Speth [a] Co-Founder, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)... Martin Scorsese ... Barbra Streisand (Co-Chair) ... Mark Tercek, President and CEO, The Nature Conservancy ... [Ted Turner](#) ..."

► Financing:

- [earthday.net/about/sponsors.stm](#) (accessed: August 15, 2000): "Environmental Working Group ... [Friends of the Earth](#) ... [Natural Resources Defense Council](#) ... [Nature Conservancy](#) ... [U.S. PIRG](#) ... [Sierra Club](#) ... Wilderness Society ... [World Resources Institute](#). [World Wildlife Fund](#)..."
- [earthday.org/sponsors](#) (accessed: September 2, 2011): "Underwriter Laboratories. UPS. University of Phoenix. Philips. USA Today."
- [Ford Foundation](#) grants list 2006-2016: "Earth Day Network: ... 2006: \$100,000." Lots of indirect financing.
- [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#): [rbf.org/grantees/earth-day-network-inc](#): "Grants: \$20,000 for 1 year. Awarded: March 2, 2007." Lots of indirect financing. Also helped in directly financing the 2000 Earth Day celebrations.
- [earthday.org/about/sponsors/](#) (accessed: March 26, 2016): "Toyota. NASA. UPS. ... [Connect4Climate](#) [partnership between the world bank and various governments]."

► The Earth Gratitude Project/Challenge is a spin-off of the Earth Day Network:

- [earthgratitude.org](#) (accessed: May 20, 2018): "Some of Our Esteemed Contributors... Dalai Lama ... The Prince of Wales [Prince Charles] ... Elon Musk ... Duchess of Northumberland ... Deepak Chopra ... Arianna Huffington ... Agapi Stassinopoulos [sister of Arianna Huffington; [NXIVM-linked](#)] ... [Unify.Org](#): Synchronized Meditations. Kathleen Robers: President of the Earth Day Network. ... Earth Dance: Give Peace a Dance. ... Global Green ... Master Sha: We Become What We Chant. ... Natalie Pace: Author, Speaker The Gratitude Game. Christopher Van Buren: The Code of the Noble Spirit. ... Ray Mabus: The 75th U.S. Secretary of the Navy..."
- [nataliepace.com](#) (accessed: May 20, 2018): "Co-Creator of the Earth Gratitude Project... Bestselling author of The Gratitude Game, The ABCs of Money and Put Your

*Money Where Your Heart Is. ...*

*The Earth Gratitude Challenge offers an appropriate holiday ritual for April 22nd, Mother Earth's designated holiday. Simply power up the gratitude and power down the grid..."*

- Unify.org appears to have been another, 2012-founded spin-off of the Earth Day Network:

- unify.org (accessed: April 22, 2013): *"On April 20th -22nd, 2013, over 1 billion people will celebrate Earth Day in 196 countries around the world. This year we will UNIFY via Yoga, Meditation, and Dance Flashmobs at 12:00 pm noon in local time zones. ... One Day, One Planet, One People. ...*

- Organizers: Dancing Without Borders. Med Mob [MedMob.org: "After one hour of silent meditation, each MedMob comes together for 11 minutes or longer of "Sound Bath." Meditators can use Om, Ong, God, Allah, Ma, Yeah, or any other sound or mantra that resonates deeply within yourself."]. Partners: EarthDance. Earth Day Network. ... Code Pink: Women for Peace..."*

- unify.org/about (accessed: April 22, 2013): *"UNIFY.org was birthed on December 21st, 2012 to serve the self-organizing emergence of intentional events, flash mobs, meditations, ceremonies, and prayers on that day. Millions of people at sacred sites around the world aligned their expressions of consciousness and participated in a historic moment of global unity. ... UNIFY supports global synchronized events such as Earth Day or Peace Day and has developed a platform to create coherence and unification during such days. ... UNIFY's vision is to provide a sacred mirror reflecting back to humanity its inherent state of unity regardless of nation, race, politics, color, creed or gender. UNIFY is also a prayer held in the hearts of many of us who are awake on the planet today – to share intentional moments of unity, prayer and meditation with our global family and creatively express our diversity as One Human Race."*

## Earth First!

- Founded in April 1980 by Dave Foreman ([director of wilderness affairs in Washington, D.C. for the Wilderness Society until 1980; director New Mexico chapter of The Nature Conservancy 1976-1980; both were elite-backed groups](#)) and Mike Roselle ([co-founded the Rockefeller and Tides-financed Rainforest Action Network in 1985 and later the Ruckus Society to protest the WTO](#)) and a number of others.
- Also: the Fund For Wild Nature was founded as the Earth First! Foundation in 1982.
  - 2012, Douglas Bevington, 'The Rebirth of

Environmentalism: Grassroots Activism from the Spotted Owl to the Polar Bear', pp. 33-34: *"Earth First!ers also established a tax-deductible entity initially called the Earth First! Foundation—later renamed the Fund for Wild Nature—that provided support for research, advocacy, and educational work by Earth First! activists. By 1988, it distributed \$50,000 per year. [43] Although this foundation was much smaller than the dominant environmental grantmakers, it provided seed money for projects that grew into some of the grassroots biodiversity groups in the 1990s. ... By 1990, there were estimated to be 15,000 Earth First!ers. At the same time, Earth First! was also facing difficult challenges. In 1989, five Earth First!ers, including Dave Foreman, were arrested for conspiring to cut down power lines in Arizona. Foreman was not directly involved in the action, which was organized by an FBI infiltrator. Nonetheless, Foreman was charged with providing funding for it. He avoided jail in a 1991 plea bargain in which he agreed to stop advocating monkeywrenching. By then he had already publicly departed from Earth First!. Foreman's departure marked a significant shift within Earth First!. In the 1990s, Earth First! moved away from monkeywrenching and reemphasized civil disobedience as a way to increase participation and build broader coalitions."*

► 1992, Wild Earth magazine, p. 53: *"The Fund for Wild Nature, formerly the Earth First! Foundation, needs a few new members for our Board of Directors. We're looking for fresh ideas and fundraising abilities."*

► July 4, 1988, The Spokesman-Review, 'Earth First! comes out of the shadows: Environmental commandos teach monkeywrenching': *"Gone, for the most part, are the aliases that once characterized Earth First!, the most radical arm of the environmental movement. Gone, too, is the element of secrecy. Five years ago, Earth First! leaders were telling reporters they didn't sanction tree-spiking and other forms of "monkey-wrenching" such as tampering with bulldozers, helicopters, oil exploration rigs, surveying projects and logging operations. At previous Earth First! gatherings, those things were discussed, but clandestinely -- after the campfires were out.*

*Today, Earth First's unofficial leader, Dave Foreman, not only advocates monkey-wrenching, he doesn't believe anyone within the "tribe" (the word he prefers to describe his group's structure) should criticize the practice. At the six-day Eastern Washington gathering, which ends today, instructors are teaching the latest techniques for spiking trees to foil loggers. Others demonstrate ways to hoist a person and his or her gear*

up a tree and onto a platform. Earth First! members have used tree-sitting to protect trees, on the theory a tree won't be cut down with a person camped in it.

About 600 people from all over the country and Canada are attending the gathering, camping deep in the Colville forest about 20 miles from the Canadian border. Foreman said the Earth First! ranks have grown so much that "It's impossible to keep track of all the issues and actions going on around the country." The increasing force and visibility of what was once a tiny, esoteric movement is a source of irritation for the logging industry, a prime target of Earth First's direct action. "We have spiking incidents all over the Pacific Northwest," said Northwest Forestry Association spokesman Mike Sullivan, interviewed by phone from Portland. He said his organization is offering rewards leading to the arrest of anyone engaging in Earth First! type tactics, which he called "unlawful and unhealthy." ...

As for "unhealthy," Sullivan was referring to an incident in Northern California last year in which a sawmill worker was seriously injured when a blade exploded after striking a metal spike, presumably planted by an environmental activist. Earth First! followers maintain the accident wouldn't have happened if the tree-spikers had been following the rule book. "They warn people ahead of time, always," said Lisa Phillipps of Republic. "They don't want to hurt anyone." "If spiking is done correctly, no one is going to get hurt," said Northern California resident Greg King. Some theorize that the sawmill injury resulted from a tree-spiking that wasn't the work of an Earth First! follower at all, but someone trying to discredit the group.

Foreman maintains that it isn't Earth First's intent to endanger lives. But, he added, if someone gets hurt in the heat of the battle to defend the planet -- well, so be it. "My loyalty is to the grizzly, the snail darter, the plankton," he once said. "It's to the rocks and streams." King pointed out that while monkey-wrenching has made Earth First! famous, that's not the only thing its members do. Many Earth First! members work through traditional channels to effect change, along-side organizations such as the [Sierra Club](#)."

- ▶ August 24, 1993, Moscow-Pullman Daily News, 'Earth First!ers draw racketeering suit': "High Enterprises also alleges theft, destruction of property and interference with a contract in its suit against Earth First!, the Ancient Forst Bus Brigade, the Ecology Center, the Earth First! Journal and several activists arrested this summer. Robert Amon, owner of land where Earth First!ers are camped this summer, is named as an agent of Earth First! in the suit. The suit says as many as 200 John and Jane Does may be added to the suit. ... On Thursday, the same day Highland filed its suit, the Oregon

*Supreme Court upheld a logging company's right to recover punitive damages from six Earth First!ers who chained themselves to logging equipment in 1987."*

► **Financing of Earth First!:**

► May 16, 1997, Executive Intelligence Review, 'Ted Turner funds Earth First! eco-vandals': *"Ted Turner, owner of Cable News Network (CNN), and his wife, Jane Fonda, came close to creating an international incident on April 9, when the Canadian press disclosed that Turner was funding a Canadian training camp for eco-vandals, including the transportation of youth from the United States into Canada to the camp. The Turner Foundation, which is directed by Fonda, has funded the sponsors of "training camps " in Canada for environmentalist actions against the timber industry. ... Several groups from the United States and Canada have been protesting against the timber industry in both countries. The activists at the Belcarra gathering include about 60 members of Greenpeace, the Forest Action Network, Bear Watch, and Friends of Clayoquot Sound. The training was headed by eco-vandals from the Earth First!'s Ruckus Society, based in Montana, who have been involved in numerous illegal activities in the United States. This is the third such camp designed to train the youth of both countries to become involved in illegal forms of protest and other criminal acts. It has been confirmed through financial records that much of the money used for training and protests comes directly from the Ecology Center of Missoula, Montana, which is run by the Earth First! leadership. According to an article in the Canadian magazine B. C. Report, "A spokesman for the Ruckus Society told BCTV [British Columbia TV] on April 9 that the Turner Foundation, established by American media mogul Ted Turner and directed by his activist wife, Jane Fonda, has provided funds to the group." The Ruckus Society was founded by Mike Roselle, the cofounder of Earth First! and the current leader of the organization. ... Financial records show that the Turner Foundation funds several environmentalist activist groups, including the Ecology Center in Missoula, Montana. The Ecology Center is run by Earth First! leadership, including Mike Roselle. The center's 1995 tax records show a budget in 1995 in excess of \$516,000, to which the Turner Foundation was a major contributor. More than 70% of that budget went to "Activist Coordination + Empowerment." Among the groups connected to Earth First! that received grants in 1995 from the center, are Gila Watch of Silver City, New Mexico, which received \$13,000; the Southwest Center for Biological Diversity and the Greater Gila Biodiversity*

*Project, both of Silver City; and New West Research of Santa Fe, New Mexico. (Gila Watch has worked for several years to put Kit and Sherry Laney of the Diamond Bar Ranch out of business. Apparently, the Diamond Bar Ranch is adjacent to the Turner ranch.) Other Earth First!-connected groups to which the Turner Foundation has made grants are: Biodiversity Legal Foundation of Boulder Colorado (formerly the Earth First! Biodiversity Legal Foundation), RIP of Houghton, Montana, Forest Guardians of New Mexico, the Native Forest Network (founded and run by Earth First! leadership), and Rainforest Action Network (founded by Earth First! , and which still has Mike Roselle on the board of directors). And there are many others. ... The February 1993 issue of Earth First! Journal advocated sabotage at MacDonald outlets, and since that time, dozens of them have been sabotaged. A portion of a September 1996 slogan published by members of the groups states: "Learn to Burn." In 1989, three members of Earth First! were arrested in Tlle Arizona and convicted of attempted sabotage of a nuclear power plant. The founder of Earth Fi rst!, David Foreman, was arrested and convicted in the same case of conspiracy to sabotage a nuclear power plant. Foreman is currently on the board of directors of the Sierra Club."*

- ▶ Fund for Wild Nature (the former Earth First! Foundation) financing:
  - ▶ Tides Foundation 2004 grants list: *"Fund for Wild Nature. \$7,500.00."*
  - ▶ Tides Foundation 2006 grants list: *"Fund for Wild Nature. \$7,500.00."*
  - ▶ Tides Foundation 2007 grants list: *"Fund for Wild Nature. \$7,500.00."*
  - ▶ Tides Foundation 2010 grants list: *"Fund for Wild Nature. 5,000.00"*
  - ▶ Tides Foundation 2011 grants list: *"Fund for Wild Nature. 7450"*
- ▶ Grateful Dead: [rexfoundation.org/rexgrants.html](http://rexfoundation.org/rexgrants.html) (accessed: July 12, 2001): *"1989 grants: .. Albert Hofmann Foundation 10,000. ... Earth First 2,000. Earth Island Institute".*
- ▶ October 22, 2009, State of Nature, 'Saving Trees and Capitalism Too': *"Here it is appropriate to introduce American multimillionaire Douglas Tompkins [founder The North face and Esprit], as this key bankroller of environmental activism (and the "dean" of the new eco barons) has similarly bought hundreds of thousands of acres of forest land in southern Chile though his Conservation Land Trust to create a reserve called Parque*



*Pumalin. Over the years Tompkins' Foundation for Deep Ecology (which was formed in 1989) has been an important funder of forest activism including, to name just a few, the work of RAN, Earth First!, and Amazon Watch."*

## **Earth Liberation Front**

- ▶ Largely an off-shoot of [Earth First!](#), which has received a degree of elite financing.
- ▶ The Earth Liberation Front (ELF) was founded in Brighton in the United Kingdom in 1992 by members of [Earth First!](#), which has received a degree of establishment backing. The group spread to the rest of Europe by 1994 and is reported to be active in 17 countries. It is closely allied with the much older Animal Liberation Front (ALF), which was founded in 1976. Both the ELF and ALF consist of leaderless guerrilla cells that largely conduct individual action. In case of the ELF this primarily involves sabotage.
- ▶ October 23, 1998, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, 'Vail fires mark escalation in eco-terrorism': *"The burning of a ski lodge and other buildings on Vail Mountain appears to mark a major escalation in eco-terrorism, going well beyond spraying graffiti, putting metal spikes in trees and the smaller arsons committed by radical environmentalists. On Wednesday night, an underground organization called the Earth Liberation Front claimed responsibility for Monday's attacks in Vail, the most costly act of eco-terrorism in America, with damage estimated at at least \$12 million. No one has been arrested in the attacks. ... The fires came just days after Vail began clearing trees on an expansion project bitterly opposed by environmentalist groups. Last month, Vail won a major court battle against the groups, which say the expansion would interfere with plans to reintroduce the lynx to the region. "As long as it doesn't harm human lives, we approve" of such eco-terrorism, said Craig Rosebraugh, an environmental activist in Portland, Ore., who sent out a communique for the Earth Liberation Front that claimed responsibility. "I think it was a statement to corporations who continue to exploit and destroy the Earth. And I think it did just that." The Earth Liberation Front was founded in Britain in 1992 by Earth First! members frustrated with the lack of progress in protecting nature. Along with the Animal Liberation Front, the Earth Liberation Front has taken responsibility for some incidents of releasing mink from Wisconsin fur farms. The Animal Liberation Front has freed more than 3,000 mink at sites around the state since 1996. Katie Fedor, a spokeswoman for the Animal Liberation Front*

*based in Osseo, Minn., said her group had allied itself with the Earth Liberation Front and that the two organizations had declared war on companies that desecrate the Earth. "It's a war. It's a non-violent war. It's a non-violent revolution. Unfortunately, the traditional routes to societal change such as lobbying haven't worked. Constituents are not being heard. We are forced to take non-violent action," she said. Fedor said those who carried out the vail attack, assured that no one, human or animal, would be injured and they were successful."*

## Energy Foundation

- ▶ A conduit for major foundations as Rockefeller, Packard and Hewlett for sustainable development financing.
- ▶ [ef.org/about-us/](http://ef.org/about-us/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"The Energy Foundation was launched in 1991 by three leading foundations who decided it was time for philanthropy to help the world meet its energy challenges. In 1999, with support from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, the Energy Foundation established the China Sustainable Energy Program (now called Energy Foundation China), with an office and staff in Beijing."*
- ▶ 2007 report of the Center for Strategic Philanthropy and Civil Society (Duke University): [cspcs.sanford.duke.edu/content/energy-foundation-macarthur-pew-rockefeller-hewlett-packard-and-mcknight-foundations-1991](http://cspcs.sanford.duke.edu/content/energy-foundation-macarthur-pew-rockefeller-hewlett-packard-and-mcknight-foundations-1991) (accessed: March 5, 2011): *"In January 1991, the Rockefeller and MacArthur Foundations, along with the Pew Charitable Trusts, announced the creation of a new partnership. The three large foundations committed \$20 million to create the Energy Foundation, a nonpartisan grant-making institution dedicated to developing and disseminating technologies and practices to reduce America's dependence on non-renewable energy, and to boost energy efficiency."*
- ▶ The grants database of the Energy Foundation reveals major donations to the Sustainable Markets Foundation, the Sierra Club Foundation, the Natural Resources Defense Council, the Economic Policy Institute (of Robert Kuttner, co-founder of [The American Prospect](#)), the [World Wildlife Fund \(WWF\)](#), the [World Resources Institute](#) and other environmental groups, many of them in China.
- ▶ 2001 annual report, [Packard Foundation](#) (grants): *"Energy Foundation: ... \$7,034,800*
- ▶ July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, "The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA": *"The Energy*

*Foundation is a quintessential example of a pass through frequently employed by the Billionaire's Club. Energy Foundation receives money from several key foundations and redirects it to activists. In doing so, they are providing two services: distance between the donor and the activist, and enhancing the clout of the donors as their individual influence is maximized by pooling resources. One of the major funders of the Energy Foundation is Sea Change, which has gone to great lengths to hide the source of its money. ... In the case of the 501(c)(4) Green Tech Action Fund, which received donations from the Energy Foundation, and in turn, donated funds to 501(c)(4) far-left environmental activist organizations. ... Between 2010 and 2013, Sea Change Foundation, Wallace Global Fund, Energy Foundation, Rockefeller Family Fund, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Tides Foundation, and the Marisla Foundation donated over \$7 million to CAP [Center for American Progress - other financiers include Soros' Open Society Foundations, the Bill Gates Foundation and the Ford Foundation] ... Hal Harvey connects the Hewlett Foundation, the Energy Foundation and the ClimateWorks Foundation. ... Harvey was founder and CEO of ClimateWorks Foundation from 2008 to 2011, and served as the founder and President of the Energy Foundation from 1991 to 2002. From January 2002 through January 2008, he was the Environment Program Director of the Hewlett Foundation.<sup>120</sup> Harvey's successor at ClimateWorks was Mark Burget, the former Chief Conservation Programs Officer at TNC.<sup>121</sup> Burget has since returned to TNC as the Executive Vice President and North American Regional Director, and also currently serves on the Board of Directors at the Energy Foundation.<sup>122</sup> Burget was replaced by Charlotte Pera, who was formerly the Senior Vice President and Director of US Programs at the Energy Foundation.<sup>123</sup> ... Moreover, the Board of Directors of the Energy Foundation consists of individuals that either previously or currently serve on the Board of Directors for one of its partnering foundations. Such members include Mark Burget, who was previously President of ClimateWorks Foundation; Khee Poh Lam, who is also a partner of ClimateWorks Foundation Network;<sup>313</sup> and Noa Staryk, who previously sat on the board of the McKnight Foundation.<sup>314</sup>"*

## **Extinction Rebellion**

- Radical protest group that obstructs traffic during protests around the West, to the point of gluing their hands to the road in order to prevent removal. It is looking to force governments into extremely dramatic greenhouse gas reductions, and has tremendously grown internationally in activities and media

reports since the group was first included here around 2020:

- ▶ [rebellion.global/about-us/](https://rebellion.global/about-us/) (accessed: October 11, 2021):  
*"2. Act now. Governments must act now to halt biodiversity loss and reduce greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2025. 3. Go beyond politics. Governments must create and be led by the decisions of a Citizens' Assembly on climate and ecological justice."*

▶ Funding:

- ▶ August 3, 2019, Breitbart, 'Delingpole: Exposed? Soros on List of Mega-Rich Extinction Rebellion Backers': *"The documents, if genuine [show donors to be] George Soros [unspecified amount]; Vivienne Westwood's son Joe Corre [£50,000]... the European Climate Foundation [£20,000]... Greenpeace [£10,000]; the far-left Tides Foundation [£7,454]... Another of their previously revealed donors is the popular beat combo Radiohead."*
- ▶ October 18, 2019, Gettyimages.com, 'Vivienne Westwood Joins The Extinction Rebellion at BP HQ': *"Dame Vivienne Westwood and [her son] Joe Corre [whom she had with Sex Pistols manager Malcolm McLaren] join an Extinction Rebellion demonstration outside the headquarters of BP..."*
- ▶ October 12, 2019, Daily Mail, 'How Extinction Rebellion climate change zealots - including a baronet's Cambridge-educated granddaughter - are paid £400 a week to bring mayhem to our streets': *"This newspaper has seen claims for expenses from 168 activists, including Tamsin Omond, a baronet's granddaughter who has appeared in Tatler and rubbed shoulders with Boris Johnson... [She is] the granddaughter of Dorset baronet Sir Thomas Lees... Activists have been paid more than £200,000 since the start of the scheme..."*
- ▶ In the Netherlands it allied itself with "anti-racism" group Kick Out Zwarte Piet, and received way too much media attention looking at the abysmally miniature size of the "joint protests":
  - ▶ Nov. 2, 2023, [extinctionrebellion.nl](https://extinctionrebellion.nl), 'Extinction Rebellion en [Kick Out Zwarte Piet](#) gaan samenwerken en kondigen burgerlijk ongehoorzame acties aan'.
  - ▶ Nov. 15, 2023, Algemeen Dagblad, 'Gemeente Venlo verrast door sit-in Kick Out Zwarte Piet en Extinction Rebellion' (about 8 frail-looking activists on the photo, without Afriyie).
  - ▶ Nov. 23, 2023, RTV Noord, 'Kick Out Zwarte Piet en Extinction Rebellion bezetten gemeentehuis Midden-Groningen' (literally 10 protestors, 8 of them women, plus Jerry Afriyie and it is in every newspaper).
- ▶ Predictably, Extinction Rebellion is allied with the Palestinian cause, and really the Hamas cause. So much became clear after the October 7, 2023 genocidal Hamas attack on Israel.

Criticism on Palestine/Hamas was minimal from all "liberal CIA" corners, and the second the Israeli counter-attack started producing deaths, the usual anti-Israel protests were back in full force. This also was the case with Extinction Rebellion:

- ▶ Oct. 19, 2023, Telegraaf.nl (major Dutch newspaper), 'Extinction Rebellion projecteert Palestijnse vlag op Euromast in Rotterdam' ('Extinction Rebellion projects [huge] Palestinian flag on the Euromast in Rotterdam'): *"The Rotterdam branch of the of the group shared a photo of the projected flag on Instagram together with the text, "No justice no peace, free Palestine.""*
- ▶ Nov. 13, 2023, NRC.nl (major Dutch newspaper), 'Steun voor de Palestijnse zaak 'verzwakt de klimaatbeweging' ('Support for the Palestinian case 'weakens the climate movement'): *"After a participant of the climate march at the Museumplein ripped the microphone from ... Greta Thunberg [to say he didn't "come here for politics"] - and is dragged off - the protestors on the podium start chanting. "No climate justice on occupied land", also chants Thunberg, who is wearing a black-white Arafat-scarf (keffiyeh). ... Shortly before one of the speakers at the March for Climate and Justice had yelled the controversial line, 'From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free'. ... Locally ... the Rotterdam and Utrecht XR-departments projected a Palestinian flag onto the Erasmus Bridge and Dom Tower."*
- ▶ Nov. 13, 2023, YouTube upload by 'Omroep PowNed', 'Klimaatmars krijgt anti-Joodse wending: 'Extremistische opvattingen' (youtube.com/watch?v=Q4elH\_sedis): *"[Video of a speaker yelling from the podium:] Israel is terrorist! Israel is terrorist!"* Looking at the video, the masses of white people are not chanting along. Quite a few actually look embarrassed and quietly outraged. The ones that are chanting are the following: various black-masked terrorist-looking and Arafat-head scarf-wearing guys in the crowd, the handful of blacks and Arabs in the crowd (not all), and apparently only one visible white person. Quite a few Palestinian flags can be seen near the front of the crowd.
- ▶ linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7129795839299874816/ (comments to a Benedicte Ficq post from Nov. 13, 2023 or immediately before ("1 month ago"))
- ▶ Also in the Netherlands, Extinction Rebellion gets important mainstream media support, and not just by "casually" reporting on it:
  - ▶ Dec. 28, 2023, Nu.nl (largest Dutch media outlet part of a conglomerate that owns much of the Dutch press) interview with Hannah Prins, 'Klimaatactivist Hannah

Prins: "We hebben nog genoeg om voor te strijden": "[Q.] *Dan iets anders. Je kreeg eerder veel te maken met online haat en zelfs bedreigingen. Hoe is dat nu? ... [Q.] Steeds meer mensen ervaren klimaatstress (angst, somberheid over de staat van de wereld). Herken jij dat?*"

- ▶ [linkedin.com/in/hannah-prins-479a14101/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/hannah-prins-479a14101/) (accessed: Dec. 28, 2023): "Education: International School of Geneva: 2003-2008. ... Rudolf Steiner College Haarlem: VWO, Economie & Maatschappij: 2009-2015. ... University of Amsterdam, Bachelor's degree, Law, 2018-2022. ... Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (VU Amsterdam), Master, StrafrechtMaster, Strafrecht: Aug 2022 - Jul 2023. ... Extinction Rebellion Legal, Sep 2020 - Present ... Ambassador, Stop Ecocide NL: Sep 2021 - Present. ... European Climate Pact Ambassador, European Union: Jun 2022 - Jul 2023. ... Redacteur, Progressief Café Sep 2022 - Jun 2023."
- ▶ Dec. 30, 2023, [Nu.nl](https://www.nu.nl) (largest Dutch media outlet part of a conglomerate that owns much of the Dutch press) interview with Benedicte Ficq (didn't agree with XR tying itself to the Palestinian cause in 2023), 'Advocaat Ficq strijdt tegen industrie: 'Hierna wil ik Shell aanpakken': "De strafrechtadvocaat klaagde namens duizenden omwonenden de directeurs van Tata Steel en Chemours aan. ... [Q.] U besloot dit jaar mee te doen aan de acties van Extinction Rebellion op de A12. Waarom? "Ik vind dat iedereen die een beetje een stem heeft daar iets mee moet doen. Het is voor mij niet eens een optie om niets te doen." [Q.] Komt dat voort uit [klimaat] schuldgevoel? ... [Q.] Of door de A12 op te gaan. U liet zich daar ook arresteren, is dat een probleem voor een advocaat? ... [Q.] Hoe heeft het vervuilen en ziek maken volgens u zo lang kunnen plaatsvinden? "... Dat is het geniale werk van lobbyisten. Die praten in Den Haag, in Europa, op feestjes. Tata Steel... Ze organiseren mooie feesten, een schaaktoernooi, werken samen met het revalidatiehuis in Wijk aan Zee. Noem maar op. Geef, geef, geef, dan kunnen wij onze stille gang gaan. ... De overheid is strafrechtelijk immuun. Als dat niet zo was: zeker [zou ik de lokale overheid aanklagen]. Maar het is ook een ongelijk speelveld. De chemische en staalindustrie heeft ontzettend veel geld en middelen, terwijl de decentrale overheid aan alle kanten wordt beknot."
- ▶ [linkedin.com/in/bénédicte-ficq/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/bénédicte-ficq/) (accessed: Dec. 30, 2023; post from Nov. 13, 2023 or immediately before ("1 month ago")): "De keuze om 'klimaat' te koppelen aan standpunten over dergelijk extreem ingewikkelde politieke onderwerpen voelt bij mij niet goed. XR deelt het standpunt beide onderwerpen wél aan elkaar te

*koppelen.*" Somewhat predictably, the highest-upvoted comments are two pronoun-pushing activists, one of them, Inge van Werven ([linkedin.com/in/inge-van-werven-454465a9/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/inge-van-werven-454465a9/)), a recent 2020-2022 "volunteer" at the "liberal CIA"-funded group Milieudefense ([Dutch branch of "Friends of the Earth"](#)) and the more elite Soros- and Bill Gates-founded [One Campaign](#).

- ▶ Jan. 8, 2024, Nu.nl, 'Extinction Rebellion blokkeert op 3 februari opnieuw A12 in Den Haag' (essentially a call to get people to join).
- ▶ Certainly by 2023 highway protestors also again and again were released by prosecutors and judges without even a fine, causing friction with a already overworked police:
  - ▶ Oct. 12, 2019, AT5, 'Gearresteerde klimaatactivisten moeten 380 euro boete betalen': *"De 130 klimaatactivisten van Extinction Rebellion die vanochtend door de politie werden opgepakt, hebben een boete van 380 euro gekregen. Zij blokkeerden de Blauwbrug..."*
  - ▶ Dec. 9, 2022, RTV Utrecht, 'Rechter: actievoerders Extinction Rebellion zijn schuldig, maar krijgen geen straf': *"De groep kwam in februari naar het Rabo-kantoor aan de Utrechtse Croeselaan om te protesteren tegen in hun ogen verkeerde landbouwinvesteringen van de bank. Ze hadden eerst een gesprek met een medewerker, daarna plakten ze met behanglijm posters op de ramen. Die ramen raakten daardoor beschadigd, net als twee draaideuren. De klimaatactivisten werden in de cel gezet en moesten daar drie nachten blijven. Volgens de rechter had dat politieoptreden 'minder fors' gekund. Mede daarom krijgen de demonstranten niet nu nog een boete opgelegd. Het OM had eerder een boete van 425 euro per demonstrant geëist."*
  - ▶ Oct. 6, 2023, RTL Nieuws, '9000 aanhoudingen voor blokkeren A12, geen vervolging: hoe zit dat?': *"De duizenden demonstranten die de afgelopen weken met stadsbussen en touringcars naar het ADO-stadion zijn gebracht, kunnen opgelucht ademhalen. ... Een rechter heeft eerder besloten dat een aanhouding op de A12 voldoende straf is. ... Wel hebben de demonstranten een strafbaar feit gepleegd. Maar omdat de meeste actievoerders zich 'vreedzaam hebben gedragen', ziet het OM geen meerwaarde in strafvervolging. Het OM heeft eerder in mei al besloten hiervoor niet te zullen vervolgen en blijft deze lijn volgen, laat een woordvoerder weten."*  
*"Omdat we in beginsel al geen strafzaak zijn gestart, worden om die reden ook geen gegevens genoteerd. De*



*blokkade heeft dus geen gevolgen voor degenen die alleen voor overtreding van de Wom zijn aangehouden", zegt de woordvoerder.*

*Dit geldt overigens niet voor actievoerders die zich schuldig hebben gemaakt aan andere strafbare feiten, zoals belemmering, mishandeling, belediging, het blokkeren van de weg, baldadigheid en vernieling, laat een politiewoordvoerder uit Den Haag weten.*

*Op zaterdag 9 september hebben bijvoorbeeld twee activisten een buschauffeur gehinderd waardoor de bus, die op dat moment 100 kilometer per uur reed, is gaan slingeren. De ene verdachte kreeg hiervoor een boete voor het veroorzaken van gevaar op de weg. De andere verdachte is naar het bureau gebracht en heeft daar vast gezeten omdat zijn identiteit niet kon worden vastgesteld. Toen dat was gelukt is hij vrijgelaten. Hoe de zaak wordt afgedaan wordt later beslist. ...*

*Dat het overgrote deel van de demonstranten niet wordt vervolgd, is tegen het zere been van de fracties van Hart voor Den Haag en het CDA in de Haagse gemeenteraad. CDA-lid Kavish Partiman noemde het argument om de klimaatactivisten niet te registreren of verbaliseren omdat het er zoveel zijn eerder bij Omroep West 'een kulargument'."*

- Feb. 5, 2024 YouTube upload by 'Omroep PowNed', 'Politie eindelijk ook klaar met Extinction Rebellion: 'OM doet niks!': "[Former MP and The Hague city council member Richard de Mos:] Yes, I think it's completely worthless. Demonstrating is a very good thing. We are fortunate to have the Malieveld for that in The Hague. And now that they are glueing themselves to the highway for the 36th time and thus distracting the police from real work, yes, that is a very problematic thing. And it certainly is bad that the Public Prosecution Service does not support the police officers. Politics really should call on the Public Prosecution Service to make [the protestors] comply with the law, and that is: blocking a highway is not allowed. You should be fined for that. That is 1. And second, if we take away from the police, because they have a lot of work to do... Yes, there are quite a few political parties that identify with what Extinction Rebellion does. And yes, then [the protestors] also have license to do what they do. ...

*[Xander Simonis, chairman of the police union ANPV:] You can only deploy those [police] colleagues once. [Now] they will be deployed on the Utrechtse Baan. Then you can't expect them in the neighborhood. And a lot of colleagues have to come on their day off. And that day off must be compensated at another time. I don't really know*

*what the police leadership itself thinks about it - only from colleagues. And they're starting to get fed up after dragging those people off the highway 35 times. Yeah, nothing at all actually [happens after the protestors are being pulled into the bus]. They are released somewhere else, often at the [ADO?] stadium. And then, as the police, you have to be quick, because sometimes they get back to the [demonstration] site faster than you yourself."*

► April 6, 2024, De Telegraaf, 'Agenten voorkomen blokkade A12: Greta Thunberg duikt na arrestatie vrijwel direct opnieuw op bij protest Den Haag en wordt weer opgepakt' ('Police prevents A12 blockade: Greta Thunberg reappears almost immediately after arrest at protest in The Hague and is arrested again'): *"Around 400 activists have been arrested, including Sweden's Greta Thunberg. After being taken away in a city bus, she almost immediately reappeared at the protest. The police then arrested her for the second time."*

► Compare this to Great Britain, where activist leaders involved in blocking motorways were sentenced to 4-5 years in prison:

► July 18, 2024, Daily Mail, 'Just Stop Oil co-founder Roger Hallam is jailed for five years and four other activists for four years over plots to block the M25 motorway that saw 'over 50,000 hours of vehicle delay'".

## **Foundation for Gaia**

► [foundationforgaia.org/aboutus/the-board/](https://foundationforgaia.org/aboutus/the-board/) (accessed: December 13, 2015): *"The current Board of Trustees: JONATHON PORRITT: An eminent writer, broadcaster and commentator on sustainable development. Co-Founder and Programme Director of Forum for the Future. ... In addition, he is Co-Director of The Prince of Wales's Business and Environment Programme... Trustee of WWF UK, a member of the Board of the South West Regional Development Agency, a Vice-President of the Socialist Environment Resources Association (SERA). He was formerly co-chair of the Green Party (1980-83) of which he is still a member, Director of Friends of the Earth (1984-90); chairman of UNED-UK (1993-96); chairman of Sustainability South West, the South West Round Table for Sustainable Development (1999-2001). VITA de WAAL: ... She worked for 10 years at the Findhorn Foundation in what was to become one of the first NGOs to create the eco-village concept and that was recently found to have the lowest ecological footprint ever measured in the industrialized world. Workshop leader and international conference coordinator, she lectured at conferences and universities in Europe, the USA and India She is currently*

*Executive Trustee of the Foundation for GAIA (UK), Main Representative to the UN for the Planetary Association for Clean Energy (PACE, Canada), Chair of the United Nations NGO Committee on Spirituality, Values and Global Concerns (CSVGC ) and Chair of the Working Group 'Sacred Knowledge and Sacred Sites' (CH). She has recently joined the IUCN's World Commission on Protected Areas Specialist Group CSVPA on Cultural and Spiritual Values of Protected Areas. She joined the Board 1984. ...*

*With Thanks and Gratitude to our Former Trustees: ...*

*ELRIE DE WAAL-BRUNING - Founder of The Foundation for Gaia (UK) Major donor of the Foundation for Gaia. Elrie travelled extensively in Europe, Peru, Central America, China and Afghanistan, a country that she visited on various occasions. Towards the latter part of her life she became concerned about the environment and became an active member of various organizations, e.g. the Cousteau Society, Earth Life, Survival International and the Business Network Switzerland, which was promoting social responsibilities and ethics in the business environment. On the Board in from 1985 till 1992†*

*TEDDY GOLDSMITH – Publisher, editor, author, lecturer and campaigner. Founder (1969) of The Ecologist; President of the Climate Initiatives Fund, Richmond, UK; Board Member of the International Forum on Globalization, San Francisco, USA; presented a series of talks "World Business Report" on the BBC World Service (2003); taught courses on ecology at various universities in the USA. ... Joined the Board in 1988 till 2009†.*

*WILLIS HARMAN – We have been honoured to have had the presence, active participating and precious advise of Willis who was on our Board of Trustees till the end of his life. Prolific writer and lecturer, he was President of the Institute of Noetic Sciences; Co-founder, Fellow and Trustee of the World Business Academy; former consultant to the White House's National Goals Research Staff; on Board of Directors of the Albert Hoffman Foundation; Director of the Center for the Study of Social Policy at SRI International; former Director of the Educational Policy Research Center at SRI; vice president of the International Foundation for Advanced Studies; Regent of the University of California. He was Emeritus Professor of Engineering-Economic Systems at Stanford University and for sixteen years was Senior Social Scientist at SRI International in Menlo Park, California. He was President on the Board of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#) from 1985 till 1997†"*

- ▶ Teddy Goldsmith (brother of elite MI6 asset Sir James Goldsmith) affiliations from ISGP's [NGO list](#):
  - Primitive People's Fund / Survival International (co-founder);
  - The Ecologist magazine (founder and editor);
  - Ecological Foundation (founder and environmental advisor);

- Cornwall Nuclear Alarm (founder and active protester);
  - Ecoropa (Edward Goldsmith (founder and vice president and president French branch);
  - Green Alliance (co-founder);
  - Foundation for Gaia (trustee);
  - Goldsmith Foundation (co-founder/co-manager);
  - International Forum on Globalization (director);
  - Fluoride Action Network (founding member).
- Sir James Goldsmith's son, Ben Goldsmith, was married to Kate Emma Rothschild (1982-) from 2003 to 2012. Sir James Goldsmith's other son, Zac Goldsmith (1975-), married to Alice Miranda Rothschild (1983-) in 2013. Both Rothschilds were daughters of Amschel Rothschild (1955-1996), a half-brother of Lord Jacob Rothschild. Amschel mysteriously committed suicide in 1996.

## Friends of the Earth

- Began as an anti-nuclear spin-off movement of the [Sierra Club](#), founded by resigned Sierra Club executive director David Brower. [1001 Club](#) member and close David Rockefeller friend Robert O. Anderson was a co-founder and may or may not have put up finances. The information on that last aspect is conflicting:
- 1973, Volume 16, American Opinion, Robert Welch, Page 34: *"Robert O. Anderson, who shunted \$200,000 into the organization to get it started, Friends of the Earth isn't about to go under."*
  - 1976, Sheldon M. Novick, 'The Electric War: The Fight Over Nuclear Power', p. 187: *"These people, a good many became our original board of directors for Friends of the Earth, and a good many of them still serve. The chairman of Atlantic Richfield was one of that group, wasn't he? BROWER: Robert Anderson--Robert O. Anderson--was one of the people who came in with some initial support for the John Muir Institute, never for Friends of the Earth. Altogether he put in about seventy thousand dollars to help its program and to help some Aspen conferences, at least the first one. And then he lost interest when Friends of the Earth sued to stop the pipe [the trans-Alaskan pipeline, in which Atlantic-Richfield was a major partner]. Along with the Wilderness Society and others."*
  - 1988, Jack Raymond for the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies, 'Robert O. Anderson: Oil Man /environmentalist and His', p. 8: *"[Robert Anderson] helped David Brower establish Friends of the Earth, though he disagreed with Brower's political activism and some of his views."*

- ▶ Advisory council in the 1970s: Aurelio Peccei of FIAT (working under Bilderberger and [1001 Club](#) member Gianni Agnelli), Rockefeller and Rothschild friend Maurice Strong, another [1001 Club](#) member (may have only regularly conversed with it); and Paul Ehrlich.
  - ▶ United Nations Environmental Programme, Sasakawa Prize section: *"Dr. Aurelio Peccei: Winner 1984: The inaugural UNEP Sasakawa Environment Prize was awarded posthumously to Dr. Peccei ... [who] ... in his new role turned the Club of Rome, which he had helped found, into one of the world's leading bodies promoting sustainable and fair development. He gave tirelessly to the causes which he espoused, as a member of the UNESCO Panel of Counsellors on Major World Problems; a member of the Governing Council of the Society for International Development; a member of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation for the International Training for Third World Countries; and as a member of the Friends of the Earth Advisory Council."*
  - ▶ Maurice Strong papers at Harvard University Library: *"Box [\*] Sierra Club: 1976 May-1978 Aug. ... Box [\*] Friends of the Earth, Ottawa: 1976 Nov-1979 May; n.d. (Includes "Friends of the Earth Foundation Advisory Council") ... Box [\*] Ford Foundation- David Heaps: 1971 Mar-1978 Jun (Includes correspondence from David Heaps) ... Box [35] Rockefeller Foundation: 1971 Apr-1978 Sep (Includes "Rockefeller [correspondence] 1971-1975"; "Rockefeller University" ... Box [\*] Rockefeller Foundation: 1977 Jun, Sep-Oct; 1980 May ... Box [\*] David Rockefeller: 1973 Oct-1978; John D. Rockefeller: 1972 Jul-1978. ... Box [\*] Edmund de Rothschild: 1972 Sep-1974 Apr. ... William D. Ruckelshaus: 1974 Mar-1978. ... Dean Rusk: n.d."*
- ▶ CNN' new age billionaire Ted Turner was a Friends of the Earth director. Desmond Tutu, also of the new age [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#), was patron.
  - ▶ 2014, Gloria Crook, 'Trans-Dimensional Daughter' (digital): *"Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. My name is Angela Buller, and I am one of the senior students at the Robert Muller School. ... I am privileged to be here today to introduce to you our next distinguished speaker. Mr. Ted Turner is chairman of the board and president of Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. ... He sits on the boards of numerous humanitarian institutions, including the Martin Luther King Center for Nonviolent Change, Friends of the Earth, and the NAACP."*
  - ▶ [foei.org/aboutfoei/indexpatros.html](http://foei.org/aboutfoei/indexpatros.html) (accessed: October 10, 2000) *"FoEI Council of Patrons: ... Archbishop Desmond Tutu..."*

- ▶ [activistfacts.com/organizations/123-friends-of-the-earth/](http://activistfacts.com/organizations/123-friends-of-the-earth/) (cumulative; accessed: December 23, 2015): *"Charles Stewart Mott Foundation \$7,303,965 [by] 2004 ... David & Lucile Packard Foundation \$45,000 [by] 1999 ... Ford Foundation \$2,243,901 [by] 2003 ... Harold K. Hochschild Foundation \$30,000 [by] 2000 ... John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation \$870,000 [by] 2001 ... John Merck Fund \$45,000 [by] 2000 ... Merck Family Fund \$105,444 [by] 2001 ... Pew Charitable Trusts \$555,000 [by] 2002 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund \$1,427,500 [by] 2001 ... Rockefeller Family Fund \$400,000 [by] 2002 ... Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors \$50,000 [by] 2001 ... Schumann Center for Media & Democracy \$100,000 [by] 1992 ... Threshold Foundation \$86,000 [by] 2001 ... Turner Foundation \$425,000 [by] 2002 ... W.K. Kellogg Foundation \$20,000 [by] 1999... Wallace Global Fund \$1,271,000 [by] 2003..."*
- ▶ Some of the financing from Rockefeller Brothers Fund:
  - ▶ 1991 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, Washington, D.C.: ... \$100,000..."*
  - ▶ 1992 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth--Japan: ... \$70,000..."*
  - ▶ 1994 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, France: ... \$120,000..."*
  - ▶ 1996 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, France: ... \$150,000..."*
  - ▶ 1998 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, International, Amsterdam, Netherlands: ... \$105,000 for two years... Friends of the Earth--Japan: ... \$200,000..."*
  - ▶ 2000 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, International, Amsterdam, Netherlands: ... \$70,000... Friends of the Earth--Japan: ... \$200,000..."*
  - ▶ 2002 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth--Japan: ... \$200,000..."*
- ▶ 2001 annual report, Friends of the Earth: *"Donors: ...*
  - \$250,000 and up: Bunny and Dan Gabel. W. Alton Jones Foundation. Charles Stewart Mott Foundation. The Pew Charitable Trusts.*
  - \$100,000 - \$249,999: Beldon Fund. Jayni and Chevy Chase. Nathan Cummings Foundation. Ford Foundation. Avis Ogilvy Moore. 1 anonymous donor.*
  - \$50,000 - \$99,999: The Center for Public Interest Research, Inc. Naomi and Nehemiah Cohen Foundation. Jessie B. Cox Charitable Trust. C.S. Fund. Clarence Heller Charitable Foundation. Wendy P. McCaw Foundation. Merck Family Fund. The Morris Foundation. Rockefeller Brothers Fund. The Summit Fund of Washington Valley Crest Production, Ltd. ... The Wyss Foundation.*

- \$25,000 - \$49,999: *The Bullitt Foundation. HKH [Hochschild] Foundation. Steven and Michele Kirsch Foundation. The John Merck Fund. The Moriah Fund. Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation. Rockefeller Family Fund. Rockefeller Financial Services. Save Our Wild Salmon Coalition. Threshold Foundation. 3 anonymous donors."*

► Tides Foundation grants lists:

- 2004: *"Friends of the Earth \$11,000.00..."*
- 2005: *"Friends of the Earth \$142,811.00"*
- 2006: *"Friends of the Earth \$8,000.00..."*
- 2007: *"Friends of the Earth \$350,275.00..."*
- 2008: *"Friends of the Earth \$190,000.00..."*
- 2009: *"Friends of the Earth \$183,500.00..."*
- 2010: *"Friends of the Earth \$55,000.00..."*
- 2011: *"Friends of the Earth 91566..."*
- 2012: *"Friends of the Earth 35000..."*
- 2013: *"Friends of the Earth [multiple branches with a total of about \$140,000..."*

► George Soros has been another reported financier.

► More Rockefeller grants to Friends of the Earth:

- January 18, 2005, Capital Research, 'The Rockefeller Brothers Fund and Rockefeller Family Fund: How a Great Capitalist's Fortune Came to Fund Anti-Capitalist Causes': *"The Rockefeller Family Fund also gave substantially to groups challenging Bush administration environmental policies. Donations by the Fund in 2003 and 2004 included \$150,000 to the Campaign to Protect America's Lands to "stop anti-environmental public lands decrees through sustained grass roots and media efforts," \$25,000 to the Friends of the Earth Foundation."*
- [rbf.org/grant/10735/friends-earth-3](http://rbf.org/grant/10735/friends-earth-3) (Rockefeller Brothers Fund): *"Friends of the Earth: \$17,500 [in 2009]: For media capacity building and coordination with climate equity advocacy organizations... \$200,000 [in 2011]: For continued support of its initiative, Advancing and Protecting Sustainability Standards in Development Finance. ... \$100,000 [in 2013:] For continued support of its Economic Policy program's initiative, Advancing Sustainability Standards in International Finance and Trade. ... \$170,000 [in 2014:] For continued support of its Economic Policy Program's initiative, Advancing and Protecting Sustainability Standards in Development Finance."*

► [arcafoundation.org/current\\_grantees.htm](http://arcafoundation.org/current_grantees.htm) (accessed: December 23, 2015): *"Spring 2015 Friends of the Earth Washington, DC \$50,000 ... National Security Archive Fund Washington, DC \$60,000 General Support ... "*

► Great Britain: Mark Brown Vestey (supporter; [1001 Club](#) / elite-connected prominent activist):



► August 11, 1999, The Guardian, 'Heirs and disgraces': *"By the standards of those on the wilder fringes of the environmental movement, Mark Brown appears an unremarkable character. The list of organisations he supports is fairly standard for any self-respecting, thirtysomething, west London green campaigner: Friends of the Earth, Greenpeace, Reclaim the Streets, Corporate Watch, that sort of thing. He is unemployed and gets around town by mountain bike. ... He may be an unremarkable environmental campaigner but he also happens to be a member of the Vestey family, once the richest dynasty in the land apart from the Windsors. Although now worth a mere £650m, they are still the very type of people the Carnival Against Global Capitalism had been against. ... Peers of the realm, High Sheriffs, masters of foxhounds - the Vestey family have been a lot of things in their time, but direct action, anti-capitalist green campaigning was not the sort of behaviour that the British public expected. ... Take the most recent public outing by Brown's cousin, Tamara Vestey, aged 23, former debutante, niece of Lord Samuel Vestey ... Tamara, her self a keen polo player, the reports pointed out, chatted non-stop to [Prince] William throughout the lunch of grilled vegetables, roast lamb and cappuccino ice-cream. No surprise there: her uncle is a close chum of the Prince of Wales and his second wife, Celia Knight, is Prince Harry's godmother."*

► The Dutch branch of Friends of the Earth is called Milieudefensie, founded in 1971:

► [milieudefensie.nl/organisatie/foe/index.htm](http://milieudefensie.nl/organisatie/foe/index.htm) (August 18, 2007): *"Milieudefensie is the Dutch branch of Friends of the Earth International."*

► Leader at the time of the Pim Fortuyn murder was Wijnand Duyvendak (born in Markelo village in 1957 where Prince Bernhard's mother and a number of aristocrats maintained mansions and domains; sociology student University of Amsterdam 1976-1980, but did not graduate; became a prominent radical 1970s-1980s; involved in the squatting movement and the anti-militarist action group Onkruid; jailed for six weeks in 1984 for having broken into the Dobbeldam military complex together with other members of Onkruid; writer for the radical magazine Bluf! 1984-1987; involved in the Anti-Apartheid Committee "Get Shell out of South Africa" late 1980s; reportedly involved with the violent Revolutionary Anti-Racist Action; editor at publisher Ravijn; joined Friends of the Earth / Milieudefensie in 1993, managing director 1999-2002; Groenlinks congressman 2002-2008).

► Financing of the Dutch branch of Friends of the Earth (Milieudefensie):

► 1998 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, International, Amsterdam, Netherlands: ... \$105,000 for two years..."*

► 1999 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, International, Amsterdam, Netherlands: ... \$45,000 [paid this year of the \$105,000]..."*

- ▶ 2000 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Friends of the Earth, International, Amsterdam, Netherlands: ... \$70,000 for two years..."*

## Global Green USA

- ▶ Global Green USA is the U.S. branch of Mikhail Gorbachev's [Green Cross International](#), a first-rate elitist, globalist institution with new age Earth Day affiliations. [Ted Turner](#) has been among Global Green's financiers, with top superclass member Lee Hamilton, chairman of the House's Iran Contra hearings and vice chair of the 9/11 Commission, sitting on the board of Global Green ... Democrat globalist Gary Hart was a board member of Global Green in the early 2000s as well. Also not unimportant, in mid 2006 fellow actors [Leonardo DiCaprio](#) and [Edward Norton](#) joined the board of Global Green. Both actors have huge ties to the liberal superclass.
- ▶ Long-time chair of Global Green USA is Scott Seydel, who, along with his elite wife Pat Mitchel, is an in-law to Ted Turner's daughter Laura. Their son, Rutherford (John Rutherford Seydel II), married Laura Turner Seydel. Rutherford is a secretary of the Turner Foundation, with Laura being a director, as well as the chair of the Captain Planet Foundation. Their children have been made associate directors of the Turner Foundation.
  - ▶ February 15, 2009, JaneFonda.com, 'Valentine's Day': *"Pat Mitchell's coming—again. She asked her husband, Scott Seydel, what he wanted to do for Valentine's Day and he said, "See Jane [Fonda]'s show." (He was away the other night when Pat saw it). Here's a bit of trivia: Scott's from Atlanta and his son, Rutherford Seydel, is married to Ted Turner's daughter, Laura. Their three children are grandchildren to me, Scott and Pat."*
  - ▶ [turnerfoundation.org/leadership/](#): *"Ted Turner, Chairman ... Laura Turner Seydel... Rutherford Seydel [John Rutherford Seydel II], Secretary... Associate Directors: John Rutherford Seydel III ... Florence Vasser Seydel..."*
  - ▶ [patmitchellmedia.com/about/](#) (accessed: May 20, 2018): *"[Pat] Mitchell [Seydel] partners with the TED organization to co-curate and host an annual global TEDWomen conference. ... She is the chair of the Women's Media Center and Sundance Institute boards, a founding board member of V-Day... and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. The first woman president and CEO of PBS, she most recently served as president and CEO of the Paley Center for Media... Mitchell is also the former president of CNN Productions..."*

► More on leadership:

- [globalgreen.org/about/staff\\_board.html](http://globalgreen.org/about/staff_board.html) (accessed: February 23, 2004; first archive with Seydel moving from secretary to chair, probably as of Jan. 2004): "*Chairperson: Scott Seydel [Ted Turner in-law]... Immediate Past Chair: Diane Meyer Simon, President Emerita and Founder, Global Green USA [wife of billionaire Herbert Simon and a Green Cross International director]. - Treasurer: Robert S. Bucklin, Senior Vice President, Rabobank International. ... Matt Petersen: President and CEO. Matt Petersen has led Global Green USA since 1994... He serves on the Managing Committee of Green Cross International [and] is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and Pacific Council on International Policy... - Ambassador Richard Butler, Former Executive Chairman, United Nations Special Commission (UNSCOM) ... - Ambassador Wyche Fowler: US Ambassador to Saudi Arabia. - The Honorable Lee Hamilton [until 2015]... - The Honorable Gary Hart ... - Pat Mitchell [Seydel, married to Scott Seydel, and a Ted Turner in-law] ... - Lisa Shields: Vice-President, Communications & Marketing, Council on Foreign Relations...*"
- [globalgreen.org/about/staff\\_board.html](http://globalgreen.org/about/staff_board.html) (accessed: September 29, 2006; first archive with DiCaprio and Norton): "*Chairperson: Scott Seydel... Robert S. Bucklin... - [Leonardo DiCaprio](#): Actor & Activist. [until early 2014] - Ambassador Wyche Fowler: US Ambassador to Saudi Arabia. - The Honorable Lee Hamilton [until 2015]... - [Edward Norton](#): Actor & Activist [until mid 2014] ... Lisa Shields: Vice-President, Communications & Marketing, Council on Foreign Relations...*"
- 2012 annual report, Global Green, p. 20 (per June 1, 2013): "*Global Green USA Board: Chairman of the Board: Mr. Scott Deydel [would resign before late 2014]... Treasurer: Mr. Robert S. Bucklin, Chief Corporate Bank Officer, Rabobank International [the new chair by 2014]... President: Matt Petersen, Global Green USA, CEO. ... Leonardo DiCaprio ... Patt Mitchell ... Edward Norton ... Council of Advisors: ... Ambassador Wyche Folwer ... Jane Goodall ... Gary Hart ... [Norman Lear](#)...*"
- [globalgreen.org/who-we-are/](http://globalgreen.org/who-we-are/) (accessed: April 21, 2018): "*Global Green USA is the American affiliate of Green Cross International, founded by President Gorbachev... Board of Directors: Diane Meyer Simon, Founder... Trammell S. Crow, Co-Chair [and] the founder of EARTHx (formerly known as Earth Day Texas)...*"

*Emeritus Board Members: Lee H. Hamilton. Edward Norton."*

► Celebrities involved in Global Green:

- March 3, 2006, Treehugger.com, 'Green Oscars Update: Kate Bosworth Gets the Party Started!': *"Tonight's Global Green USA Oscar Party. ... featuring performances by ... Fishbone... Those expected to walk the symbolic "green carpet" covered by a solar powered tent include: ... Mila Kunis, Sharon Lawrence, Bai Ling ... Ludacris, Anthony Mackie, Kate Mara ... [Rhona Mitra](#)... This year, Global Green's Red Carpet, Green Cars campaign will feature celebrities including Naomi Watts, [Joaquin Phoenix](#), [George Clooney](#), [Jennifer Aniston](#), Felicity Huffman, Frances McDormand and David Strathairn. ... Global Green USA, the U.S. affiliate of Green Cross International led by Mikhail S. Gorbachev..."*
- Zimbio.com: *"In This Photo: Salma Hayek. Global Green USA's 5th Pre-Oscar Party. Avalon Hollywood, Hollywood, CA. February 20, 2008."*
- April 20, 2006, Bradpittpress.com, 'Brad Pitt Announces New Orleans Design Competition': *"Pitt ... is teaming up with Global Green USA..."*
- March 26, 2009, Treehugger.com, '[Jake Gyllenhaal](#) & Global Green Launch "National Green Schools" Initiative (Video)'.
- May 30, 2009, zimbio.com, 'Global Green USA's 13th Annual Millennium Awards - Inside': *"Filmmaker Sebastian Copeland, journalist [Arianna Huffington](#), and designer Domenico Vacca attend Global Green USA's 13th Annual Millennium Awards at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel on May 30, 2009 in Santa Monica, California."*
- Jan.-Feb. 2011, Global Green flyer, 'Global Green USA's 8th Annual Pre-Oscar! Party 2011', p. 2: *"Past attendees include: Oscar nominees Leonardo DiCaprio, Penelope Cruz, James Cameron, Marissa Tomei and Salma Hayek, along with Jessica Alba, Kate Bosworth, Orlando Bloom, Adrian Grenier, Bill Maher, Rosario Dawson, Heather Graham, Christian Slater, Oliver Stone, Norman Lear, Governor Bill Richardson, and dozens of other celebrities. Last year, more than three dozen celebrities walked the green carpet. Past musical performers include: Sheryl Crow, Gavin Rossdale, Maroon 5..."*
- March 3, 2010, CBS, 'Celebrity Circuit': *"Nicole Scherzinger of the Pussycat Dolls poses at Global Green USA's 7th Annual Pre-Oscar Party in Los Angeles, Wednesday, March 3, 2010."*
- 2014 annual report, Global Green, pp. 17-19: *"Over the past 20 years, we present some of the figures who have*

contributed to [our] People, Places, and Planet in Need [project]: Brad Pitt. Leonardo DiCaprio. Orlando Bloom. Neil Patrick Harris. Mark Ruffalo. Salma Hayek. Edward Norton. Sting. Jessica Alba. Penelope Cruz. James Cameron. Adrian Grenier. ...

[The] Pre-Oscar Party [includes] exclusive musical performances from artists like Common, Moby, Sheryl Crow, Willie Nelson, and many other leading talents [as] Joan Rivers [and] Austin Butler and Vanessa Hudgens...

Millennium Awards: ... Goldie Hawn ... Ed O'Neill ..."

- ▶ December 11, 2013, globalgreen.org, 'Chelsea Clinton, Mark Ruffalo and Sam Champion converge with leading environmental mavericks for Global Green's 14th annual Sustainable Design Awards' *"Chelsea Clinton, Benjamin Bronfman [son of actress Sherry Brewer and Edgar Bronfman, Jr.] and Mark Ruffalo - took to the green carpet to honor the best sustainable initiatives from the past year..."*

- ▶ February 28, 2017, Global Green flyer, '15th Anniversary: Global Green's Pre-Oscar Gala': *"Performers that have provided an electric atmosphere for the past 15 years, including: Common, Stevie Wonder, Michelle Branch, Sheryl Crow, Perry Farrell, Maroon 5, Moby, Willie Nelson ... Gavin Rossdale [of Bush and] Scott Weiland [of Stone Temple Pilots and Velvet Revolver]."*

▶ Finances:

- ▶ 2010 annual report, Global Green, p. 19: *"\$100-199,999: Ebay, Inc. [same as Omidyar Network; also in 2011] ... Diane Meyer Simon ... Surdna Foundation... \$50-99,999: ... Energy Foundation [also in 2011]... Marisla Foundation ... Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation ... Ploughshares Fund ... Rabobank International. Turner Foundation, Inc. Wal-Mart Foundation. 25-49,999 K: ... Annenberg Foundation ... Salma Hayek Foundation. Hewlett-Packard [same as Hewlett and Packard foundations] ... Silicon Valley Community Foundations ... Government & City Grants: Canadian Embassy - Russia. Canadian Government... Green Cross Switzerland. City of Los Angeles. City of Malibu. City of New Orleans... City of Santa Monica."*
- ▶ 2011 annual report, Global Green, p. 19: *"\$100,000 or more: ... Diane Meyer Simon ... Parsons ... Pureology ... Rabobank ... Silicon Valley Community Foundation ... Turner Foundation. \$50,000 or more: ... Ebay ... New York Community Trust ... Energy Foundation ... \$25,000 or more: General Motors Foundation ... Starbucks ... Marisla Foundation ... Walton Family Foundation ... Volkswagen Santa Monica. Wallace Global Fund. ... Sumner Redstone Charitable Foundation ... Google Community Grants Fund of Tides Foundation..."*
- ▶ 2012 annual report, Global Green, p. 19: *"Supporters 2012:*

... \$100,000 or more: Pureology, a division of L'Oreal USA  
 ... Rabobank International. Parsons. Diane Meyer Simon.  
 ... \$50,000 or more: ... Turner Foundation... \$25,000 or  
 more: ... Marisla Foundation ... Office Depot ... General  
 Motors Foundation ... Starbucks ... Volkswagen ...  
 [Dozens of additional donors, including local  
 governments]...

► 2014 annual report, Global Green, p. 21: "\$100,000 or  
 more: ... Diane Meyer Simon. Herbert Simon Family  
 Foundation. ... \$50,000 or more: ... [Annenberg  
 Foundation](#). Turner Foundation ... \$25,000 or more: ...  
 Marisla Foundation ... Rabobank ... Silicon Valley  
 Community Foundation. Surdna Foundation ... [Hewlett  
 Foundation](#)..."

► [globalgreen.org/blog/los-angeles-regional-council](http://globalgreen.org/blog/los-angeles-regional-council) (accessed:  
 May 20, 2018): "*Membership Commitment: - Give and/or raise  
 \$5,000 per year, and; - Help recruit additional Council  
 members and spread Global Green's message.*"

## Global Witness

► Global Witness is very much concerned with the protection of  
 the rain forest and human rights in third world countries.  
 Listed here because this group was set up by [George Soros](#) son  
 Alexander and the fact that the Soros family is deeply  
 involved in the promotion of [psychedelics](#), including the  
 amazon-based [ayahuasca](#).

► Advisory board: Alexander Soros, Bennett Freeman (chair),  
 Baroness Glenys Kinnock (wife of the Labour Party leader  
 1983-1992; Soros' ECFR), Edward Zwick, Misha Glenny, Silas  
 Siakor.

► Financiers: [Open Society Foundations](#), Alexander Soros  
 Foundation, [MacArthur Foundation](#), [Hewlett Foundation](#),  
[Ford Foundation](#), National Endowment for Democracy, Dutch  
 Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign  
 Affairs.

► 2005 annual report of Jonathan Soros' Global Witness,  
 p. 20: "*Our Funders: ... Canadian Department of Foreign  
 affairs and International Trade. ... The Gleitsman  
 Foundation ... Hives ... IUCN ... The National Endowment  
 for Democracy ... Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
 ... Open Society Institute ... Oxfam GB ... Oxfam Novib...*"

► [globalwitness.org/donate/our-supporters/](http://globalwitness.org/donate/our-supporters/) (accessed:  
 March 31, 2016): "*Global Witness relies on the  
 exceptional generosity of individuals, trusts, foundations  
 and government funders who share our vision and  
 support our work. ... Statutory, Trusts and Foundations: -  
 Adessium Foundation. - Arcus Foundation. - David and*

Anita Keller Foundation. - Democratic Governance Facility. - Ford Foundation. - Grantham Foundation for the Protection of the Environment. - Humanity United. - Irish Aid. - JMG Foundation. - Jocarno Fund. - Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD). - Pro Victimis Foundation. - Royal Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs. - Samworth Foundation. - Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship (The [Skoll Foundation](#) [also of [Larry Brilliant](#)]). - Synchronicity Earth. - Ted Prize. - The Alexander Soros Foundation. - The David and Elaine Potter Foundation. - The Foundation to Promote Open Society. - The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. - The Laura & John Arnold Foundation. - The MMHBO Fund. - The Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA). - The University of Wolverhampton – Strengthening African Forest Governance Contract. - The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation. - UK Department for International Development. - Wallace Global Fund. - [World Resources Institute](#). "

## Greenpeace

- ▶ September 22, 2003, PR Newswire Europe, 'Non-profit watchdog files IRS complaint against Greenpeace, seeks Federal probe': *"Because Greenpeace receives significant donations from large entities, such as the Rockefeller Brothers Fund and the Turner Foundation, the report also calls into question the accountability of these donors. "Foundations that make tax-exempt contributions are responsible for verifying that their funds are used appropriately," Hardiman said. "In this case, the funds clearly are not being used appropriately, which means one of two things: Either the foundations have no idea how their money is being spent, or the foundations are knowingly helping Greenpeace break the law."*
- ▶ [activistfacts.com/organizations/131-greenpeace/](http://activistfacts.com/organizations/131-greenpeace/) (cumulative; accessed: December 23, 2015): "\$ Donations (Click headers to sort): ... Agape Foundation \$300 [by] 2001 ... Charles Stewart Mott Foundation \$249,000 [by] 2002 ... David & Lucile Packard Foundation \$450,000 [by] 2000 ... Energy Foundation \$15,000 [by] 1992 ... Foundation for Deep Ecology \$15,000 [by] 1992 ... Harold K. Hochschild Foundation \$100,000 [by] 2001 ... J. P. Morgan Charitable Trust \$550 [by] 1998 ... John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation \$841,365 [by] 2002 ... John Merck Fund \$80,000 [by] 2002 ... Joyce Foundation \$200,000 [by] 1997 ... Lannan Foundation \$200,000 [by] 1996 ... Marisla Foundation \$250,000 [by] 2004 ... Rex Foundation [Grateful Dead] \$116,796 [by] 1995 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund



\$1,080,000 [by] 2005. Rockefeller Family Fund \$115,000 [by] 2005. Rockefeller Foundation \$20,285 [by] 2001. ... Turner Foundation \$1,390,000 [by] 2001. V. Kann Rasmussen Foundation \$456,000 [by] 2003. ... Wallace Global Fund \$245,000 [by] 2002."

- ▶ Ford Foundation grants list 2006-2015: "104670. Stichting Greenpeace Council "Greenpeace": 2006. \$25,000."
- ▶ Rockefeller Brothers Fund:
  - ▶ 1996 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): "Greenpeace Environmental Trust: ... \$20,000 for two years..."
  - ▶ 1997 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): "Greenpeace Environmental Trust: ... \$30,000 for two years..."
  - ▶ 2000 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): "Greenpeace Fund: ... \$100,000..."
  - ▶ 2001 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): "Greenpeace Fund: ... \$75,000 [plus] \$150,000..."
  - ▶ 2003 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): "Greenpeace Fund: ... \$100,000 [plus] \$150,000..."

## Natural Resources Defense Council

- ▶ Founded in 1970, the Natural Resources Defense Council uses scientists to produce and analyze environmental studies and a network of attorneys to make corporations and local governments comply with the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and other federal and state laws protecting the environment. It appears to be receiving the most amount of financing of any environmental group.
- ▶ OnEarth magazine is a quarterly publication of the NRDC dealing with environmental challenges. The magazine was founded in 1979 as The Amicus Journal.
- ▶ activistfacts.com/organizations/19-natural-resources-defense-council/: (cumulative; accessed: March 11, 2016): "*The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) is one of the largest and most well-funded environmental activist organizations in the United States. The organization was founded in 1970 with a \$400,000 grant from the liberal Ford Foundation. ... The NRDC is one of the best-funded environmental activist organizations in existence, with net assets of over \$182 million.*"
- ▶ activistfacts.com/organizations/19-natural-resources-defense-council/: (cumulative; accessed: March 11, 2016): "*Agape Foundation \$100 1999 ... American Express \$5,025 2005 ... Annenberg Foundation \$805,000 2005. Arca Foundation \$15,000 1992 ... AT&T Foundation \$10,000 1990 ... Atlantic Foundation of New York \$652,000 2003 ... Beinecke Foundation \$2,150,000 2000 ... Carnegie Corporation of New*

York \$1,200,000 1995 ... Charles Engelhard Foundation \$974,000. 2000 Charles Evans Hughes Memorial Foundation \$1,000,000 2006. ... Charles Stewart Mott Foundation \$3,523,090 2005 ... Citigroup Foundation \$155,000 2003 ... David & Lucile Packard Foundation \$2,252,000 2005 ... Doris Duke Charitable Foundation \$590,000 2000 ... Energy Foundation \$14,733,574 2005 ... Epstein/Roth Foundation \$790,000 2002 ... Flora Family Foundation \$100,000 2000 ... Foundation for Deep Ecology \$15,000 1993 ... Gaia Fund \$1,007,550 2006 ... Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation \$2,221,000 2005 ... German Marshall Fund of the U.S. \$65,000 1995 ... Harold K. Hochschild Foundation \$235,000 2002 ... Henry Luce Foundation \$1,160,000 2005 ... Horn Foundation \$1,106,074 2005 ... Howard Phipps Foundation \$115,000 2006 ... J. M. Kaplan Fund \$2,222,500 2005 ... J. P. Morgan Charitable Trust \$6,000 1988 ... John & Daniel Tishman Fund \$1,206,100 2005. John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation \$8,705,195 2005 ... John Merck Fund \$1,058,000 2005 ... Joyce Foundation \$4,699,445 2005 ... Marisla Foundation \$4,388,000 2005 ... Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust \$620,000 2003 ... McKnight Foundation \$1,930,500 2005 ... Merck Family Fund \$198,826 2005 ... Nathan Cummings Foundation \$1,220,000 1999 ... New York Community Trust \$1,588,856 2005. New York Times Company Foundation \$41,704 2005 ... Open Society Institute \$5,000 2004 ... Park Foundation \$2,846,010 2005 ... Pew Charitable Trusts \$12,661,000 2000 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund \$1,522,510 2002. Rockefeller Family Fund \$110,000 1999. Rockefeller Foundation \$360,075 2003. Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors \$152,000 2003. ... Scherman Foundation \$1,137,500 2004 ... Schumann Center for Media & Democracy \$255,000 1992 ... Surdna Foundation \$2,922,000 2006 ... Thomas J. Watson Foundation \$245,000 2006 ... Turner Foundation \$6,846,542 2005 ... U.S. Department of Energy \$522,934 2000. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency \$4,681,097 2001. ... W.K. Kellogg Foundation \$85,934 1997 ... Wallace Global Fund \$480,000 2005 ... Walton Family Foundation \$95,000 2005 ... William & Flora Hewlett Foundation \$3,945,000 2005."

- ▶ [activistfacts.com/organizations/19-natural-resources-defense-council/](http://activistfacts.com/organizations/19-natural-resources-defense-council/): (cumulative; accessed: March 11, 2016): "*The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) is one of the largest and most well-funded environmental activist organizations in the United States. The organization was founded in 1970 with a \$400,000 grant from the liberal Ford Foundation. ... The NRDC is one of the best-funded environmental activist organizations in existence, with net assets of over \$182 million. ... The George Soros-backed Open Society Institute and Foundation to Support Open Society gave NRDC over \$2.2 million since 2008. The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, one of the*

*largest left-environmentalist foundations in the country, has provided NRDC with over \$4.7 million over that same period."*

- ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants list 2006-2017: *"Natural Resources Defense Council: ... 2010: \$74,331. ... 2013: \$200,000. ... 2014: \$500,000 [and] \$475,000. ... 2015: \$570,000. ... 2016: \$1,500,000 [and] \$600,000."*

## Nature Conservancy

- ▶ The largest environmental nonprofit by assets and by revenue in the Americas. Assets totaled \$6.71 in 2015. The Nature Conservancy helps to protect water and land in about 70 countries worldwide. The group counts over \$1 million members.
- ▶ Rather elite grouping. Nature Conservancy president and CEO anno 2017 is Mark Tercek, a former managing director at Goldman Sachs. To give additional indication of this: past [Pilgrims Society](#) members who served on various Nature Conservancy councils have included Lord Chelwood, Huyler Clark Held, 2nd Baron Tweedsmuir and John Whitehead. [1001 Club](#) members of various Nature Conservancy council have included Lord Aubrey Buxton, Sir Norman Arthur, John W. Hanes, Jr. (father a Pilgrim, he a 1001 Club member; major elite/CIA ties), George Cooley, Thomas Jones (Northrop) and Andres Sada. Max Nicholson, who helped set up the WWF, head the British Nature Conservancy. Mary Ruckelshaus, a Rockefeller Foundation employee and daughter of environmentalist superclass member William Ruckelshaus, serves on the Nature Conservancy's science council and Washington board. And so there are an endless amount of examples.
- ▶ The group doesn't list exact foundation support on its site or annual reports. However, from other sections on this page the following finances could be unearthed:
  - ▶ 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1977, 1982, 1983, 1993, 1997, 2000, 2004 annual reports, [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) (grants): *"Nature Conservancy..."*
  - ▶ [Rockefeller Foundation](#) grant database on RockefellerFoundation.org (accessed: April 23, 2016): *"Nature Conservancy: ... 2016 - \$500,000..."*
  - ▶ 1995 annual report, [Packard Foundation](#): *"Nature Conservancy: ... \$1,000,000..."*
  - ▶ 1997 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"Nature Conservancy: ... \$3,000,000..."*
  - ▶ 2000 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"Nature Conservancy: \$5,750,000 [plus] \$272,000 [plus] \$1,350,000 [plus] \$100,000 [plus] \$560,000 [plus] \$2,111,199 [plus] \$50,000 [plus] \$1,500,000..."*

- ▶ 2001 annual report, Packard Foundation: *"Nature Conservancy ... \$4,000,000 [plus] \$1,000,000 [plus] \$817,400 [plus] \$50,000 [plus] \$50,000 [plus] \$250,000..."*
- ▶ [rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2014-grantees/](http://rsfsocialfinance.org/services/entrepreneurs/2014-grantees/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Nature Conservancy"*

## Rex Foundation (Grateful Dead)

- ▶ [rexfoundation.org/about/](http://rexfoundation.org/about/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"From their earliest days, the Grateful Dead received countless requests for help from community organizations, and became known for their generosity and their numerous benefit concerts. In the fall of 1983, members of the band, with family and friends, established the Rex Foundation — named after Rex Jackson, a Grateful Dead roadie and later road manager until his untimely death in 1976 — as a non-profit charitable organization, allowing the band to proactively support creative endeavors in the arts, sciences, and education. The band played the first of many Rex Foundation benefit concerts in the spring of 1984. Following Grateful Dead lead guitarist Jerry Garcia's death in 1995 and the subsequent dissolution of the band, the Rex Foundation has continued to make grants funded by the very elements that hold our community together: music, connection, fun, creativity and community spirit. Since 1984 the Rex Foundation has granted \$8.9 million to over 1,200 recipients."*
- ▶ [rexfoundation.org/about/board/](http://rexfoundation.org/about/board/) (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"Board of Directors: Bob Weir ... Advisory Board: ... Larry Brilliant [a co-founder of the [Seva Foundation](#) with Apple founder Steve Jobs (company initially financed by Laurance Rockefeller) and later a good friend of David Rockefeller's son, Dr. Richard Rockefeller, in psychedelic research]... John Perry Barlow. Dennis Alpert. Jon McIntire (d.2012) Bill Graham (1984 – d.1991) Jerry Garcia (1984 – d.1995) Hal Kant (1984 – d.2008)"*
- ▶ [rexfoundation.org/frames.html](http://rexfoundation.org/frames.html) (accessed: July 12, 2001): *"Board of Directors: Bill Walton. Bob Weir. John Scher. Danny Rifkin. Cliff Palefsky. Roger McNamee. Jon McIntire. John Leopold. Michael Klein. Mickey Hart. Carolyn Garcia. Diane Blagman. Bernie Bildman. John Perry Barlow. EMERITUS: Hal Kant. -- Jerry Garcia (1984 – d.1995). Bill Graham (1984 – d.1991)."*
- ▶ [rexfoundation.org/rexgrants.html](http://rexfoundation.org/rexgrants.html) (accessed: July 12, 2001): "
  - 1986 grants: ... *Friends of the River Foundation* 10,000. ... [NORML](#) 10,000 ...
  - 1988 grants: ... [Friends of the Earth](#) 10,000. *Friends of the*

*River Foundation 10,000. ... Seva Foundation 10,000. ... The Nature Conservancy / Monteverde Project 10,000. ... The Tibet Fund 10,000. ... Tibet House, Inc. 10,000. ...*

*- 1989 grants: .. [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#) 10,000. ... [Earth First](#) 2,000. [Earth Island Institute](#) [Watchfire Productions](#) 10,000. [Earth Island Trust](#) 5,000. [Earthtrust](#) 5,000. [Earth Watch](#) 1,000. ... [Environmental Defense Fund](#) 5,000. ... [Friends of the Earth Malaysia](#) 5,000. ... [Greenpeace](#) 91,297. ... [Japan Tropical Forest Action Network](#) 5,000. ... [Rainforest Action Network](#) 91,297. ... [Sierra Club Foundation](#) 7,000. ...*

*- 1990 grants: [American Civil Liberties Union](#) 10,000. ... [Environmental Defense Fund](#) 5,000. ... [Greenpeace](#) 6,937. ... [Rainforest Action Network](#) 6,937. ... [San Francisco AIDS Foundation](#) 15,000. ...*

*- 1991 grants: ... [Earth Island Institute / Valley Keeper](#) 5,000. ... [Tides Foundation / Int'l Rivers Network](#) 5,000 ...*

*- 1992 grants: [ACLU Foundation of Northern California](#) 10,000 ... [Drug Policy Foundation](#) 5,000. ... [Earth Island Institute/Valley Keeper](#) 5,000. ... [Friends of the River](#) 10,000. ... [Pacifica Foundation](#) 12,500. ... [Rainforest Action Network / The Coral Forest \(Reef Relief\)](#) 10,000. ... [Tides Foundation / The Rhythm For Life Project](#) 20,000. ...*

*- 1993 grants: [ACLU Foundation of Northern California](#) 10,000 ... [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) 1,000. ... [Pacifica Foundation](#) 12,500. ... [Rainforest Action Network](#) 10,000. ... [Tides Foundation/Forest Island Project](#) 15,000. ...*

*- 1994 grants: ... [ACLU Foundation of Northern California](#) 10,000 ... [Drug Policy Foundation](#) 10,000 ... [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) 10,000 ... [Tibetan Children's Village](#) 5,000. [Tibetan Nuns Project](#) 5,000. [Tricycle, The Buddhist Review](#) 5,000.*

*- 1995 grants: ... [ACLU Foundation of Northern California](#) 10,000 ... [Agape Foundation](#) 7,500 ... [Drug Policy Foundation](#) 10,000 ... [Greenpeace](#) 8,562 ... [Isis Fund](#) 10,000 [[Sierra Club](#)] ... [Rainforest Action Network](#) 8,562. [Rainforest Alliance Information Network](#) 10,000 ... [Santa Fe Institute](#) 10,000 ..."*

► [rexfoundation.org/rexgrants2.html](http://rexfoundation.org/rexgrants2.html) (accessed: July 12, 2001): "

*- 2002 grants: ... [Ruckus Society](#) 5,000. ..."*

## Ralph Nader

- Ralph Nader has been a presidential candidate for the Ross Perot-founded United States Reform Party, which, judging from another candidate, [Robert Steele](#), and [Ross Perot himself](#), looks like a pretty obvious intelligence front.
- Back in 1990 Ralph Nader served as special counsel and board member of the [Earth Day Network](#), along with [Laurance Rockefeller](#), [Ted Turner](#), Al Gore, John Kerry and many other elites. Maurice Strong (a [1001 Club](#) member with [Laurance](#)

Rockefeller) also served on this board for many years.

- ▶ May 29, 2013, Ralph Nader for the Huffington Post, 'Enlist the Enlightened Super-rich!': *"You often hear progressives bemoaning the massive war chests of the right-wing funders... But a common mistake made by the left is not adequately focusing on cultivating their own likeminded super-rich to provide the necessary resources to advance their own noble causes. It would only take a few enlightened mega-billionaires to provide major funding needed to shift power from the few to the many... Look to George Soros....To Soros, the \$200 million cost of such a campaign would have been a small apmt of his annual income. ... My book, "Only the Super-rich Can Save Us!" laid out the blueprint for such a movement... Using 17 real-life wealthy Americans in fictional roles, led by Warren Buffett, a massive, well-funded campaign is launched to galvanize millions of Americans to organize themselves and restore their problem-solving sovereignty over their government and the massive corporations that have co-opted too much power and influence in Washington, D.C. for too long."*
- ▶ Ralph Nader's United States Public Interest Research Group Education Fund (PIRG):
  - ▶ Founded in 1973 by Ralph Nader and Donald Ross (proposed the model and first executive director; secretary and director [Rockefeller Family Fund](#) 1985-1999 and chair [Greenpeace US](#) after that).
  - ▶ In 1990 U.S. PIRG chair Doug Phelps was a director of the Earth Day Network with Ralph Nader, Laurance Rockefeller, Al Gore and Ted Turner.
  - ▶ Has been financed by the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) in the past, but, as usual, exact amounts are not clear.
  - ▶ [Ford Foundation](#) grants to Ralph Nader's US-PIRG (Excel sheet downloadable from website listing all grants since 2006): "
    - *United States Public Interest Research Group Education Fund. ... 2006. \$410,000.*
    - *2008. \$250,000.*
    - *2010. \$225,000.*
    - *2009. \$300,000.*
    - *2008. \$200,000.*
    - *2008. \$120,000.*
    - *2011. \$450,000.*
    - *2010. \$400,000.*
    - *2015. \$100,000.*
    - *2013. \$700,000.*
    - *2013. \$250,000."*
  - Total: \$3,405,000 in the 2006-2015 period.
- ▶ Tides Foundation grants to branches of Ralph Nader's US-PIRG: "

- [2008:] California Public Interest Research Group Education Fund. \$100,000.00. U.S.A. [www.calpirg.org](http://www.calpirg.org). ...  
 - [2013:] Vermont Public Interest Research & Education Fu. \$15,000.00. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [www.vpirg.org](http://www.vpirg.org)."

► July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, 'The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA': *"Examples of prescriptive grantmaking by some of the Billionaire's Club private foundations include a \$50,000 grant from the Park Foundation to the New York Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) for continuation of its widespread public education campaign on the issue of gas drilling in New York;"* [23] ... *In addition to groups such as CAP and Media Matters, DA created a progressive infrastructure map including several environmental groups discussed in this report. [92] Many of the groups recommended to the 'investors' and vetted by Investment Services Staff" [93] lead the environmental movement and are already heavily funded by EGA members. For instance, DA seeks to steer money towards 350.org, BlueGreen Alliance, the League of Conservation Voters (LCV), Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Sierra Club, and U.S. Public Interest Research Groups (PIRGs). .... Donald Ross began his career as an attorney working for Ralph Nader, [107] and is currently the principal/founding partner of M+R Strategic Services, whose clients include some of the lead environmental groups and foundations including: Environmental Defense Fund, Earthjustice, Hewlett Foundation, League of Conservation Voters, Marisla Foundation, NRDC, The Nature Conservancy, National Wildlife Federation, Rockefeller Brothers Foundation, Rockefeller Family Fund, UCS, WWF, and the Wallace Global Fund. [108] He served on the Board of the LCV Education Fund in 2012/09 and as the chairman of the Board for Greenpeace from 2002 to 2010. [110] He previously served as the director of the Rockefeller Family Fund, [11] as well as founder and Executive Director of the NY-PIRG. [112] ... Jay Halfon is another pivotal player that has emerged in the environmental movement through his connections in New York. Halfon is currently on the Board of Directors for the Park Foundation, Earthworks, Sustainable Markets Foundation (SMF), and 350.org. [127] Interestingly, Halfon does not even list his affiliation to SMF on his 350.org biography; yet Park Foundation heavily funds SMF and SMF is a fiscal*



*sponsor" of 350.org. [128] ... Previously, Halfon served as Executive Director of Donald Ross's NY-PIRG. PIRGs play a central role in the environmental movement as a meeting ground for trial attorneys and radical activists to coordinate a faux grassroots campaign. SMF has close ties to PIRGs and provides significant funding to PIRG chapters.[131] Including Halfon, three of the four officers of the SMF previously worked for PIRG: the President of SMF, Elizabeth Hitchcock, served as Communications Director for US PIRGs, and Secretary and Treasurer of SMF, Geoff Boehm, was Program Director and Senior Attorney for NY-PIRG. ... Walter Hang is another anti-fracking activist in upstate New York relying on SMF for funding. Hang appears to have a personal connection with SMF, as he along with three of the four members of SMF's board, previously worked for PIRG. Hang..."*

## **Rainforest Action Network**

- ▶ Co-founded in 1985 by [Earth First!](#) and [Ruckus Society](#) co-founder Mike Roselle and Randy Hayes.
- ▶ First gained national prominence with a grassroots organizing campaign that in 1987 succeeded in convincing Burger King to cancel \$35 million worth of destructive Central American rainforest beef contracts.
- ▶ [ran.org/board\\_of\\_directors](http://ran.org/board_of_directors) (accessed: December 28, 2015): *"HONORARY MEMBERS: ... Bob Weir [[Grateful Dead](#) songwriter; [Rex Foundation](#); [psychedelics network](#); [Bohemian Grove](#) visitor]..."*
- ▶ Annual financing by the [Tides Foundation](#).
- ▶ December 17, 2004, San Francisco Chronicle, 'S.F. nonprofit a lean, green, fighting machine': *"Rainforest Action Network has 27 employees. Forty percent of its \$2.5 million operating budget comes from foundations such as the [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#); 35 percent is from individual donors who give large amounts of money; and 25 percent consists of smaller donations from 15,000 members."*
- ▶ Rockefeller Brothers Fund:
  - ▶ 2000 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Rainforest Action Network: ... \$200,000..."*
  - ▶ 2003 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (grants): *"Rainforest Action Network: ... \$200,000..."*
- ▶ [activistfacts.com/organizations/188-ruckus-society/](http://activistfacts.com/organizations/188-ruckus-society/) (accessed: December 28, 2015): *"The [Ruckus Society](#) was founded in late 1995 by two giants of the radical environmentalist movement: Mike Roselle and Howard "Twilly" Cannon. Roselle was a founder of [Earth First!](#) (of 1980s tree-spiking fame), the group which spun off the domestic terrorist [Earth Liberation Front](#) in 1992. He also co-*

founded the radical Rainforest Action Network. Cannon built his extremist credentials as a front-line activist and ship's captain with [Greenpeace's](#) French and Russian anti-nuclear campaigns. Ruckus is turning into a violent version of Forrest Gump, grooming the footsoldiers of the "protest industry" for every major newsworthy protest event since its founding. Activists descending on San Diego for the 2001 "biodevastation" demonstrations (railing against life-saving food technology) looked to Ruckus leaders for planning, logistics, media attention, and physical tactics. ... Whether the target du jour is biotech foods, the World Bank, the World Trade Organization, or globalization in general, the organization recruits, trains, transports, and houses the army of militants needed to earn media coverage and make life difficult for the rest of us. Some observers have even claimed that Ruckus paid protesters to show up in Seattle. Joseph Bast, president of the Heartland Institute, wrote that one protester there told a colleague, "Sorry, I've got to go. If I don't get to the finish line of the march I don't get paid." Ruckus itself has no problem getting paid, reaping six-figure grant awards from the likes of Ted Turner and the "caring capitalists" at Ben & Jerry's. ... The Turner foundation has also contributed heavily to Ruckus, including over \$150,000 in grants made via The Ecology Center, Inc., a Montana group where Ruckus' first slate of officers met in the mid-1990s. ... If you've heard of Ruckus Society at all, it was probably in relation to the 1999 World Trade Organization protests in Seattle. Americans watched in horror as organized hoodlums ran roughshod over the city's commercial district, smashing windows, setting fires, overturning vehicles, ransacking a Starbucks coffee shop and a McDonald's restaurant, and generally putting lives at risk. It's no coincidence that the Ruckus Society staffers were in the middle of the melee, giving on-the-record quotes to national media figures. Nor was it an accident that Ruckus director John Sellers represented the protesters when the terms of their arrest were being negotiated with Seattle police. The Ruckus Society is generally credited with organizing the whole Seattle spectacle in the first place. When the dust had settled, Sellers smugly told USA Today, "We kicked the WTO's butt all over the Northwest.""

## Ruckus Society

- ▶ [activistfacts.com/organizations/188-ruckus-society/](http://activistfacts.com/organizations/188-ruckus-society/)  
(accessed: December 28, 2015): "- Agape Foundation. \$23,000. 2000. ... - Ben & Jerry's Foundation. \$111,000. 2001. ... - Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. \$6,000. 2001. ... - Threshold Foundation. \$17,326. 2003. - Turner Foundation.

\$115,000. 1999."

- ▶ [activistfacts.com/organizations/188-ruckus-society/](http://activistfacts.com/organizations/188-ruckus-society/) (accessed: December 28, 2015): *"The Ruckus Society was founded in late 1995 by two giants of the radical environmentalist movement: Mike Roselle and Howard "Twilly" Cannon. Roselle was a founder of [Earth First!](#) (of 1980s tree-spiking fame), the group which spun off the domestic terrorist [Earth Liberation Front](#) in 1992. He also co-founded the radical [Rainforest Action Network](#). Cannon built his extremist credentials as a front-line activist and ship's captain with [Greenpeace](#)'s French and Russian anti-nuclear campaigns. Ruckus is turning into a violent version of Forrest Gump, grooming the footsoldiers of the "protest industry" for every major newsworthy protest event since its founding. Activists descending on San Diego for the 2001 "biodevastation" demonstrations (railing against life-saving food technology) looked to Ruckus leaders for planning, logistics, media attention, and physical tactics. ... Whether the target du jour is biotech foods, the World Bank, the World Trade Organization, or globalization in general, the organization recruits, trains, transports, and houses the army of militants needed to earn media coverage and make life difficult for the rest of us. Some observers have even claimed that Ruckus paid protesters to show up in Seattle. Joseph Bast, president of the Heartland Institute, wrote that one protester there told a colleague, "Sorry, I've got to go. If I don't get to the finish line of the march I don't get paid." Ruckus itself has no problem getting paid, reaping six-figure grant awards from the likes of Ted Turner and the "caring capitalists" at Ben & Jerry's. ... The [Turner Foundation](#) has also contributed heavily to Ruckus, including over \$150,000 in grants made via The Ecology Center, Inc., a Montana group where Ruckus' first slate of officers met in the mid-1990s. ... If you've heard of Ruckus Society at all, it was probably in relation to the 1999 World Trade Organization protests in Seattle. Americans watched in horror as organized hoodlums ran roughshod over the city's commercial district, smashing windows, setting fires, overturning vehicles, ransacking a Starbucks coffee shop and a McDonald's restaurant, and generally putting lives at risk. It's no coincidence that the Ruckus Society staffers were in the middle of the melee, giving on-the-record quotes to national media figures. Nor was it an accident that Ruckus director John Sellers represented the protesters when the terms of their arrest were being negotiated with Seattle police. The Ruckus Society is generally credited with organizing the whole Seattle spectacle in the first place. When the dust had settled, Sellers smugly told USA Today, "We kicked the WTO's butt all over the Northwest.""*

## Sierra Club

- ▶ The Sierra Club was founded in 1892 by John Muir and Theodore Roosevelt.
- ▶ Sierra Club officers: George Cooley (financier 1965-1969 period, possibly board member) | David Brower (1912-2000; founder John Muir Institute for Environmental Studies, Friends of the Earth (1969), Earth Island Institute (1982), and Fate of the Earth Conferences. From 1952 to 1969, he served as the first Executive Director of the Sierra Club 1952-1969, director 1941-1953, 1983-1988, 1995-2000). Published Paul Ehrlich's book 'The Population Bomb'.
- ▶ Sierra Club Foundation officers: David Brower | Michael McCloskey (hired by Brower in 1961, executive director 1969-1985, honorary treasurer until 2010) | Melvin Lane (trustee 1977-1984) | Robert McKinney (has been trustee, treasurer, chair, advisory council member and an important donor).
- ▶ Important: executive director David Brower left in protest in 1969 after clashes about opposition to nuclear energy (Brower did not support it). That same year he founded [Friends of the Earth](#) with support of [1001 Club](#) member and David Rockefeller friend Robert O. Anderson.
- ▶ Also: Disclosure Project leader and frequent [Coast to Coast AM](#) visitor Steven Greer, a total scam artist, has given a lecture at the Sierra Club.
- ▶ [activistfacts.com/organizations/194-sierra-club/](#) (accessed: February 28, 2016): "*Annenberg Foundation \$77,500 2001 ... Bauman Family Foundation \$440,000 2002 ... David & Lucile Packard Foundation \$2,260,000 2002 ... Energy Foundation \$1,677,630 2003 ... Ford Foundation \$545,000 2006 ... Foundation for Deep Ecology \$160,000 2001 ... J. M. Kaplan Fund \$222,500 2002 ... John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation \$601,000 1997 ... John Merck Fund \$145,000 2001 ... Joyce Foundation \$3,007,675 2002 ... Lannan Foundation \$53,000 1998 ... Marisla Foundation \$105,000 2004 ... McKnight Foundation \$290,000 2003 ... Nathan Cummings Foundation \$845,000 2001 ... New World Foundation \$15,000 1994 ... Park Foundation \$20,000 1999 ... Pew Charitable Trusts \$4,315,000 2002 ... Rex Foundation [Grateful Deal] \$7,000 1989 ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund \$710,000 2001 ... Rockefeller Family Fund \$105,000 2002 ... Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors \$38,250 2000 ... Schumann Center for Media & Democracy \$320,000 1996 ... Surdna Foundation \$600,000 1996 ... Threshold Foundation \$4,685 2000 ... Turner Foundation \$1,315,500 2002 ... W.K. Kellogg Foundation \$200 1999 ... William & Flora Hewlett Foundation \$550,000 2002."*
- ▶ Financing: Ford Fdn.: gave \$170,000 to the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund between 1979 and 1981. Atlantic Richfield of Robert O. Anderson is known to have given \$30,000 to the Sierra Club Federation in 1979-1980. The Rockefeller Family Fund, of which David Rockefeller is the honorary trustee,

makes annual donations between \$25,000 to \$55,000 to the Sierra Club Foundation, even today.

- ▶ [earthisland.org/index.php/aboutUs/story/](http://earthisland.org/index.php/aboutUs/story/) (accessed: February 28, 2016): *"David Brower, the first executive director of the Sierra Club and the founder of Earth Island Institute and many other organizations, had many passions. ... Earth Island Institute was fashioned, in one sense, to encourage people to be bold. The name Earth Island came from Margaret Mead, who urged respect for 'The Island Earth.' Her famous admonition, 'Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has,' could be the organization's motto. ... Dave Brower used to talk about the organizations he founded as life rafts. He created the Sierra Club Foundation when he sensed that the Internal Revenue Service might some day come after the Sierra Club's tax-deductibility (which it did, in 1967). He founded Earth Island Institute in case Friends of the Earth (FOE) ever decided to dispense with his services (which it did, in 1985). Until 1986, Earth Island had no staff, though volunteers organized the first in a series of conferences... One evening, [Randy Hayes] and Mike Roselle, a co-founder of Earth First!, were sipping beers after hours in the office, and decided that they'd better change emphasis. Randy turned to another of the rented desks, where Monica Moore of the new Pesticide Action Network (PAN) did her work. 'PAN has a nice ring to it,' Hayes declared. 'We'll be RAN – the Rainforest Action Network.' ... Tom Turner went to work for David Brower at the Sierra Club in 1968. A year later, Brower was forced to resign and Turner was fired. He was one of the first employees of Friends of the Earth and worked there for 17 years, mostly as editor of the journal Not Man Apart. Since 1986 he has worked at Earthjustice, previously known as the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund, and has written three books, with a fourth scheduled for publication in 2009."*

### **Sustainable Markets Foundation (SMF)**

- ▶ July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, 'The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA': *"The New York-based Sustainable Markets Foundation (SMF) is another significant fiscal sponsor. Unlike Tides, Inc., it is a relatively unknown quantity. SMF only exists on paper and has zero public presence – no website, no Facebook page, no Twitter account, nothing. Accordingly, only an extensive review of its IRS Form-990s can inform the public of its activities; however,*

this review was limited to 2010 and 2011 because SMF's IRS Form-990 for 2012 is not public.

Through meticulous research, the Committee identified Jay Halfon, previously discussed in this report, as the director and general counsel of SMF. The group was also the fiscal sponsor of the controversial 350.org. [368] Moreover, nearly all of the members of the Billionaire's Club donate to SMF, including Schmidt, Global Wallace Fund, [RFF](#), [RBF](#), [Park](#), [Energy](#), and [Tides](#).

The Committee also found that SMF is the fiscal sponsor to more groups than listed on its IRS Form-990. Overall, the Committee determined that SMF fiscally sponsors at least the following groups:

- Gas Free Seneca [369]
- "Flowback Project" [370]
- Frack Free Genesee [371]
- Frack Action [372]
- Coalition to Protect New York [373]
- [The Palast Investigative Fund](#) [374]
- [Yoko Ono's] Artists Against Fracking [375].
- No Impact Project [376]
- Climate Summer [377]
- Center for Climate and Security [378]

Since SMF only serves as a pass through to funnel money into these organizations, it is apparent that they are merely a tool for the Billionaire's Club to facilitate the transfer of money to fringe startups. ...

Between 2011 and 2014, [350.org](#) separately collected hundreds of thousands of dollars from the [Park Foundation](#) [45], [Rockefeller Brothers Foundation](#) [46], [Tides Foundation](#) [47], [Marisla Foundation](#) [48], [ClimateWorks Foundation](#) [49], and [Rockefeller Family Foundation](#) [50] – through grants to SMF. ...

Jay Halfon is another pivotal player that has emerged in the environmental movement through his connections in New York. Halfon is currently on the Board of Directors for the Park Foundation, Earthworks, Sustainable Markets Foundation (SMF), and 350.org. [127] Interestingly, Halfon does not even list his affiliation to SMF on his 350.org biography; yet Park Foundation heavily funds SMF and SMF is a fiscal sponsor of 350.org. [128] ...

SMF has close ties to [\[Ralph Nader's\]](#) PIRGs and provides significant funding to PIRG chapters. [131] Including Halfon, three of the four officers of the SMF previously worked for PIRG: the President of SMF, Elizabeth Hitchcock, served as Communications Director for US PIRGs, and Secretary and Treasurer of SMF, Geoff Boehm, was Program Director and Senior Attorney for NY-PIRG. ... Funding through these intermediary organizations, such as the Sustainable Markets Foundation (SMF) and Food & Water Watch, create distance

*between the wealthy foundations and alleged community-based outfits. ...*

*In 2011, SMF gave Frack Action \$324,198, with \$150,000 stemming from Schmidt grants to SMF. [261] ... [It all] demonstrates Frack Action's campaign is anything but grassroots. In 2012, SMF received \$185,000 for Frack Action through grants from Park [263] and Schmidt. [264]... Conveniently, the SMF provides a means for the Billionaire's Club to distance themselves from the activist Ms. [Naomi] Klein [of [Occupy Wall Street](#) and the White House Keystone XL pipeline protest], while still funding her work."*

## **Wilderness Society**

- ▶ NGO dedicated to protecting natural areas and federal public lands in the United States. Founded in 1935.
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ 1998 annual report, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, p. 35: *"Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.: total \$220,000..."*
  - ▶ 1997 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"Wilderness Society: ... \$200,000 [and] \$200,000..."*
  - ▶ 2000 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"Wilderness Society: ... \$150,000..."*
  - ▶ 2001 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"Wilderness Society: ... \$100,000..."*
  - ▶ 2013 annual report, Wilderness Society: *"Thank you to our supporters [huge amount]: ... Geraldine R . Dodge Foundation ... Packard Foundation ... Marisla Fund ... Turner Foundation ... Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. GE Foundation ... Goldman, Sachs ... Google ... Mott Foundation ... Hewlett-Packard ... BNY Mellon ... Boeing ... GlaxoSmithKline ... Pfizer ... Morgan Stanley ... Apple ... Chevron ... Dell ... HSBC ... IBM ... Walt Disney ... [etc.]"*
  - ▶ 2017 grants list, Turner Foundation: *"Wilderness Society: ... \$50,000..."*

## **Union of Concerned Scientists**

- ▶ Scientific research environmental group that primarily deals with issues as global warming, alternative energy and the threat with regard to nuclear energy and nuclear war. It has approximately 100 scientists on its national advisory board.
- ▶ The group was a major partner in the April 22, 2017 [Earth Day](#) global anti-Trump / pro-science march.
- ▶ Financing:
  - ▶ April 2000 report, Union of Concerned Scientists, 'Countermeasures: A Technical Evaluation of the



Operational Effectiveness of the Planned US National Missile Defense System': *"This report and its dissemination were funded in part by grants to the Union of Concerned Scientists from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, ...MacArthur Foundation, The John Merck Fund [and] Ploughshares Fund..."*

- ▶ Annual report 2012, Union of Concerned Scientists, p. 14: *"\$100,000+: ... Lewis M. Branscomb [JASON Group scientist] ... Carnegie Corporation ... Energy Foundation ... Hewlett Foundation ... Kellogg Foundation ... Packard Foundation ... Pew Charitable Trusts ... \$50,000-99,000: ... Bauman Foundation ... Ploughshares Fund ... Skoll Global Threats Fund ..."*
- ▶ Carnegie Corporation grants database at Carnegie.org (accessed: April 23, 2017): *"Union of Concerned Scientists: ... 2009: \$300,000 ... 2012: \$347,000 ... 2015: \$400,000 ..."*

## World Resources Institute

- ▶ Environmental think tank established in 1982 with funding from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. The efforts of the WRI are focused on six key areas: climate, clean energy, food, forests, water, and sustainable cities.
- ▶ Officers over the years: Maurice Strong (chair), William Ruckelshaus (chair), Stephan Schmidheiny, Frances Beinecke, Antony Burgmans (BP; WWF Netherlands), Al Gore and Bill Richardson. Global advisory council, launched in 2013: Theodore Roosevelt IV (chair) and Jonathan Lash (president).
- ▶ World Resources Institute annual report 2009, intro, pp 14-18: *"The World Resources Institute (WRI) is an environmental think tank that goes beyond research to find practical ways to protect the earth and improve people's lives. Our mission is to move human society to live in ways that protect Earth's environment and its capacity to provide for the needs and aspirations of current and future generations. WRI has a global reach, working with more than 400 partners in 50 countries. ... Acknowledging Our Donors [for] October 1, 2008–December 31, 2009: Alcoa Foundation. BP and BP Foundation. ... Shell International and Shell Foundation. ... DuPont Company. ... Goldman Sachs. HSBC Bank. Johnson & Johnson. JPMorgan Chase. ... Merck & Co. Monsanto ... News Corporation. Pfizer. PricewaterhouseCoopers. Rio Tinto. ... Dell ... eBay ... Hewlett-Packard ... Rabobank. Robeco. ... ClimateWorks Foundation. William J. Clinton Foundation. ... The Energy Foundation ... Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. ... The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation ... Mitchell*

*Kapor Foundation ... The Libra Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation. Marisla Foundation. ... Mott Foundation ... Open Society Institute. Oppenheimer Brothers Foundation. The David and Lucile Packard Foundation. The Pew Charitable Trusts. ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund. Rockefeller Foundation ... Sea Change Foundation ... Surdna Foundation ... Tides Foundation ... Turner Foundation ... Wallace Global Fund ... George P. Mitchell ... Godfrey A. Rockefeller. Larry Rockefeller. ... William D. Ruckelshaus ... Mr. and Mrs. Russell Train ... Pieter Winsemius ... European Parliament. French Ministry of Foreign Affairs ... Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs ... Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs ... Royal Danish Ministry of Climate and Energy ... Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) ... United Kingdom Department for International Development ... United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). United States Agency for International Development (USAID) ... The World Bank ... Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) ... China Business Council for Sustainable Development ... Confederation of Indian Industry ... Hong Kong Productivity Council (HKPC) ... Korea Institute For International Economic Policy (KIEP) ... The Nature Conservancy ... Peterson Institute ... World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD). World Wildlife Fund, Inc."*

## **World Wildlife Fund (WWF)**

- ▶ Base income is derived from its secretive [1001 Club](#), for decades stacked with members of families as Rockefeller, Rothschild, Bechtel, Ford, Habsburg, Thyssen-Bornemisza, Thurn und Taxis, Orange, Windsor, etc.
- ▶ July 30, 2014, Luke Bolar and Cheyenne Steel, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Minority Staff Report, 'The Chain of Environmental Command: How a Club of Billionaires and Their Foundations Control the Environmental Movement and Obama's EPA': *"William Reilly is another person with close connections to these individuals and organizations. Before his appointment to serve as EPA Administrator in 1989, Reilly was the President of the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). He returned to WWF in 1993 after his tenure at EPA, and is currently Chairman Emeritus of the Board of WWF. He is also Chairman Emeritus of the Board of [ClimateWorks Foundation](#), director of the [David and Lucille Packard Foundation](#), and is on the Advisory Board of the Nicholas Institute for Environment Policy Solutions at Duke University.<sup>126</sup>"*
- ▶ Deeply tied to Ford Foundation:
  - ▶ [worldwildlife.org/leaders/kathryn-s-fuller](http://worldwildlife.org/leaders/kathryn-s-fuller) (accessed:

January 31, 2019): *"President and chief executive officer of World Wildlife Fund from 1989 to 2005. ... She is past chair of the board [2004-2010 and trustee 1994-2010] of the [Ford Foundation](#)."*

► [Packard Foundation](#) grants examples:

- 1997 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"World Wildlife Fund: ... \$174,645 [and] \$98,000 [and] \$15,690..."*
- 2000 grants list, Packard Foundation: *"World Wide Fund for Nature: \$500,000 [and] \$45,000 ... World Wide Fund for Nature Indonesia: \$524,660 ... World Wildlife Fund: \$376,000 [and] \$50,000 [and] \$500,000 [and] \$200,000 [and] \$6,000,000 for the Russell E. Train Education for Nature Program [and] \$655,000 ... World Wildlife Fund Canada: \$200,000 to establish marine protected areas in British Columbia [and] \$43,800 for marine protected area work in British Columbia..."*
- 2001 annual report, Packard Foundation: *"World Wildlife Fund: ... \$300,000. - World Wildlife Fund Canada: ... \$100,000... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$800,000 ... World Wide Fund for Nature Australia: ... \$162,582 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$1,000,000 ... World Wildlife Fund: ... \$50,000..."*

► 2010 annual grants list, [Tides Foundation](#): *"World Wildlife Fund: \$2,030,000.00"*

► Examples of Barack Obama's [Joyce Foundation](#) grants:

- 1998 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"World Wildlife Fund, Inc. ... \$200,000..."*
- 1999 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"World Wildlife Fund, Inc. ... \$300,000..."*
- 2000 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"World Wildlife Fund, Inc. ... \$100,000..."*
- 2001 annual report, Joyce Foundation: *"World Wildlife Fund, Inc. ... \$150,000..."*

## New Religions Movement (fringe)

### Center for Contemplative Mind in Society

- Founded in 1991 by Ram Dass (LSD guru Richard Alpert), [Nathan Cummings Foundation](#) president and CEO Charles Halpern and others. Many early conferences were organized by the Nathan Cummings Foundation.
- The center's advisory board is very close-knit, with names as Ram Dass, Andrew Weil (once the nemesis of Ram Dass at Harvard over the psychedelics controversy), Dalai Lama student Robert Thurman, Oprah employee Amy Gross and top Rockefeller employee Anne Bartley all sharing this board for 15 years or more:

- ▶ [contemplativemind.org/about/advisors.html](http://contemplativemind.org/about/advisors.html) (accessed: June 8, 2003): *"The Advisory Council: ... James Autry: Author of Real Power: Business Lessons from the Tao Te Ching... Anne Bartley: President and Trustee, Rockefeller Family Fund... Ram Dass... Howard Gardner [of] Harvard... Rimpoché Ngawang Gehlek: Tibetan Lama... Amy Gross: Editor-in-Chief, O, the Oprah Magazine... Robert A. F. Thurman [Philips Exeter and Harvard-educated; personal assistant Dalai Lama; Columbia University] ... Andrew Weil: Professor of Internal Medicine, Director and Founder, the Program in Integrative Medicine at the University of Arizona. Founder, National Integrative Medicine Council."*
- ▶ [contemplativemind.org/about/team](http://contemplativemind.org/about/team) (accessed: October 12, 2017): *"Advisory Council: James Autry ... Anne Bartley ... Ram Dass ... Amy Gross ... Dr. Dean Ornish ... Robert A. F. Thurman ... Dr. Andrew Weil..."*
- ▶ Financing is obscure, but there are definite Rockefeller (a few others apart from Nathan Cummings listed here as well):
  - ▶ [contemplativemind.org/about/history.html](http://contemplativemind.org/about/history.html) (accessed: June 14, 2002): *"In 1991, the formation of the Center for Contemplative Mind in Society was preceptitated by two key retreats ... sponsored by [SEVA Foundation](#), the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and the Insight Meditation Society, and led by Ram Dass... The [other] retreat was sponsored by the [Natural Resource Defense Council](#), the Buddhist Peace Fellowship, the Ojai Foundation, and the Nathan Cummings Foundation, and led by Thich Nhat Hanh. ...*  
*1994: ... The Working Group [on Contemplative Mind] meets at the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) Retreat in Pocantico, New York, to discuss the role of meditative practice in the fields of health, media and communications. ...*  
*1997: ... 60 philanthropists gather in Santa Fe for a contemplative meeting to explore the connection between philanthropy and spirituality. The meeting is sponsored by The Center, [Tides Foundation](#) [and others]... [similar program with similar sponsors in 1998]*  
*1999: ... Mirabai and some members of the Center's Board attend, lend support and offer meditation teaching at the conference, "Contemplative Practice in Prison and Beyond" ... sponsored by Nathan Cummings Foundation, [Threshold Foundation](#), [Laurance S. Rockefeller](#), Ronald Golsand, and Upaya."*
  - ▶ [contemplativemind.org/about/history.html](http://contemplativemind.org/about/history.html) (accessed: November 5, 2011; same url as above, but now Rockefeller links have been removed, except for a new one that reads...): *"1995: Charlie Halpern requests that Mirabai Bush, Project Director of SEVA Foundation,*

*organize and facilitate the next meeting of the Working Group. ... Founding white papers were written by Steven Rockefeller..."*

- ▶ 2002-2004 report, [Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors](#), pp. 16-17: *"Grants List: ... Center for Contemplative Mind in Society, Inc."*
- ▶ 2004 annual report, [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), p. 74: *"2004 Pocantico Conferences: ... January 14-16, 2004: ... The Center for Contemplative Mind in Society convened a group of 30 foundation trustees and executives and individual philanthropists to discuss the relationship between contemplative practice and effective philanthropy and to establish a network on philanthropy and the inner life that the Center will facilitate."*
- ▶ A very long-time advisory board member, from at least 2002 to 2017, has been Anne Bartley, a board member or former board member of Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the [Rockefeller Family Fund](#) (president), and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. She is an old Carter appointee, served on the staff of Hillary Clinton, helped set the [Threshold Foundation](#) and has been involved with Soros' Democracy Alliance.

### Center for Process Studies

- ▶ The Center for Process Studies, based on the the work of philosophers Alfred North Whitehead and Charles Hartshorne. Explanation: *"Process thought helps to harmonie moral, aesthetic, and religious intuitions with scientific insights, and grounds discussion between Eastern and Western religious and cultural traditions. It seeks to offer an approach to the social, political, and economic order that brings issues of human justice together with a concern for ecology."* In other words, process thought of the Center for Process Studies overlaps/overlapped with the objectives of the [Esalen Institute](#), [Lindisfarne Association](#) and [Baca Ranch / Manitou Foundation](#) network of Laurance Rockefeller and Maurice Strong in creating a new world religion along the lines of the Baha'i Cult.
- ▶ The primary reason that the Center for Process Studies has been included here is because its two 1973 co-founders, John Cobb, Jr. and David Ray Griffin, today are 9/11 Truthers.
  - ▶ Griffin in particular is seen as the "dean" of the 9/11 Truth movement since the publication of his 2004 book *The New Pearl Harbor*. Unfortunately, Griffin is a [devoted no-planer](#) for the Pentagon, thus he is sponsoring blatant disinformation.
  - ▶ The other co-founder, John Cobb, has signed a 9/11 Truth

petition and contributed to one of Griffin's books. He is also an editor with notorious Islamic extremist and no-planer [Kevin Barrett](#) of the 2006 book *9/11 & American Empire: Christians, Jews, and Muslims Speak Out*.

- ▶ Cobb and Griffin both are past participants in Laurance Rockefeller-backed [Esalen Institute](#). Cobb was already active before he and his top student David Ray Griffin founded the Center for Process Studies:

- ▶ 2012, Esalen Institute, 'Esalen's Half-Century of Pioneering Cultural Initiatives 1962 to 2012': "

*1969: an interdisciplinary series on religion, supported in part by the National Council of Churches, began at Esalen's San Francisco office with a focus on grounding theological reflection and philosophy in human experience. Leaders included: Sam Keen ... Bishop James Pike, [John Cobb](#)...*

*1988: first of three conferences on "The Body and Spirituality," funded by [Laurance Rockefeller's](#) Fund for the Enhancement of the Human Spirit, convened by Don H. Johnson. ... 1989: second conference on "The Body and Spirituality" convened by Don Hanlon Johnson. Participants: ... [David Griffin](#) ... Jean Lanier... [Griffin not listed in the third conference of 1990]...*

*1996: conference convened by Stanislav Grof and [David Ray Griffin](#) on the relationship between transpersonal theory and the process philosophy of Alfred N. Whitehead. ... Participants: [John B. Cobb](#) ... Christina Grof, Michael Murphy, Robert McDermott ... John Mack ... John Buchanan...*

*2008: 10th annual conference in this series, focused on: the contributions of Jean Gebser to the survival hypothesis; philosophical explanations of the evidence for paranormal phenomena; a critical engagement with [David Ray Griffin's](#) Whiteheadian ideas about the survival hypothesis... Participants: Michael Murphy, Adam Crabtree...*

- ▶ 1997, Dr. David Ray Griffin, 'Parapsychology, Philosophy, and Spirituality: A Postmodern Exploration', acknowledgments: *"My debts in relation to this book are enormous. I will begin by thanking [Laurance Rockefeller](#), who, by providing funding for a conference in 1990, allowed me to get to know and learn from many of the best scientists and philosophers within the parapsychological community. Without the writings of several people fitting that description, this book would not have been possible. Who they are is made clear by the abundant references to them in the notes, but I cannot help mentioning Stephen Braude, Richard Broughton, Alan Gauld, William Roll, Michael Sabom,*

*and Ian Stevenson, upon whose writings I have relied so heavily."*

- ▶ In September 2004 David Ray Griffin was involved in an email exchange in which he explained the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) ties to his Center for Process Studies. In this email exchange Griffin makes no mention of the above [Esalen Institute](#) involvement, which has been so strongly influenced by Laurance Rockefeller.

- ▶ October 3, 2004, Angieon911.com (site of a nutty anti-New World Order right-winger), 'David Ray Griffin Responds & So Do I' (copy-past of a September 13, 2004 email of David Ray Griffin): *"John Cobb ...was formerly my professor and then my colleague at the Claremont School of Theology and in the Department of Religious Studies at Claremont Graduate University, where he taught from the late 1950s until he retired 15 years ago. ... Besides my association with these individuals, the next mark against me in your book is evidently the fact that after Cobb and I founded the Center for Process Studies, it "received support from the Rockefeller Foundation." Had you written to ask about this, I would have gladly given you more specific information: Our first conference, held in the summer of 1974, brought together a number of distinguished scientists and philosophers to discuss problems in the neo-Darwinian theory of evolution and to consider an alternative to it. It took place at the Rockefeller Foundation's Study and Conference Center at Bellagio, Italy. The arrangement is that if they accept your application and you can pay the way for all the conferees to get there, they give you room, board, and a meeting place for 3 or 4 days. That has been the extent of our center's support from the Rockefeller Foundation. Cobb and I acknowledge this support in the Preface of the resulting book, Mind in Nature: Essays on the Interface of Science and Philosophy. Incidentally, I personally, as an individual scholar, went back to [the Rockefeller Foundation's] Bellagio [center] in 1992, where my wife and I stayed for about 5 weeks. It was there, in fact, that I first developed the conviction that if the world's global problems are to be solved, we need to move from the present global structure--technically known as global anarchy--to global democracy. This past year I applied to return, with the hope of finishing a book that I started the day after 9/11. But this time my application was denied [undoubtedly because of his 9/11 work]. Perhaps I was foolish to reveal my topic: global democracy as the only, or at least the best, way to overcome US imperialism (certainly better than the standard approach, which would be for the other nations*



*to combine forces against us, which would probably be a route to global nuclear war)."*

### California Institute of Integral Studies (CIIS)

- ▶ Founded in 1950 in San Francisco as the American Academy of Asian Studies in San Francisco by Stanford University professor of Asian religions Frederic Spiegelberg. Alan Watts, who had just spent time in New York City as an associate of the Laurance Rockefeller and Paul Mellon-backed mythologist Joseph Campbell, was brought in as a lecturer. Dick Price, a student of Spiegelberg and Gregory Bateson at Stanford, was also brought in. Spiegelberg, Watts and Price would found the Esalen Institute in the early 1960s, together with Aldous Huxley and Michael Murphy, with Laurance Rockefeller in the background.
- ▶ Non-profit institute of higher education closely affiliated with the [Esalen Institute](#). It consists of four schools:
  - ▶ School of Professional Psychology & Health.
  - ▶ School of Consciousness and Transformation (mainly humanities subjects).
  - ▶ School of Undergraduate Studies.
  - ▶ American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine at CIIS.
- ▶ [ciis.edu/Admissions\\_and\\_Financial\\_Aid/Financial\\_Aid/Scholarships.html](https://ciis.edu/Admissions_and_Financial_Aid/Financial_Aid/Scholarships.html) (October 8, 2015): *"The late Laurance S. Rockefeller remains CIIS's single largest benefactor and he is the namesake for CIIS's library. Two scholarships ranging from \$1,000 - \$4,000 are awarded in his honor annually."*
- ▶ [ciis.edu/About\\_CIIS/Trustees.html](https://ciis.edu/About_CIIS/Trustees.html): *"LIFETIME MEMBERS [one of two] Elizabeth McCormack Associate, Rockefeller Family & Associates"*
- ▶ [ciis.edu/About\\_CIIS/Council\\_of\\_Sages.html](https://ciis.edu/About_CIIS/Council_of_Sages.html): *"Angela Alioto - National Civil Rights Attorney. Executive Director of the Knights of St. Francis. ... Carol P. Christ - Director, Ariadne Institute for the Study of Myth and Ritual. Ram Dass [Dr. Richard Alpert] - Consciousness Explorer ... Elizabeth McCormack - Associate, Rockefeller & Associates. ... Joan Halifax - Abbot and Guiding Teacher, Upana Zen Center. Founder and Former Director, Ojai Foundation. Buddhist Teacher. ... Michael Harner - President, Foundation for Shamanic Studies ... Rupert Sheldrake - Fellow, Institute of Noetic Sciences. Author. ... Robert A. F. Thurman - Professor of Religion, Columbia University. Cofounder and President, Tibet House. Mary Evelyn Tucker - Founder and Director, Forum on Religion and Ecology. ..."*
- ▶ April 1991, Hinduism Today, 'L. Rockefeller Gives US\$5 Million To Chaudhuri's Spiritual School': *"Philosopher Haridas*

*Chaudhuri planted the California Institute of Integral Studies (CIIS) in his apartment living room, near Golden Gate Park, San Francisco. In 1968 he had a brainful of ideas and a thimbleful of money. The newborn school - dedicated to interweaving spiritual, intellectual and pragmatic knowing - slowly grew, gaining accreditation as a graduate school, and renown as an especially good Asian wisdom academy. Last last year, under a blanket of quiet philanthropic diplomacy, Laurance Rockefeller released a funding transfusion of US\$5 million to CIIS. The grant was kept unpublic until February when CIIS threw a dignified bash to announce the grant and the inauguration of its new president, Robert McDermott. Michael Murphy, of the [Esalen Institute](#), said the grant "probably represents the single largest gift of its kind to a spiritual organization." The US\$5 million comes from Rockefeller's Fund for the Enhancement of the Human Spirit, and will be parceled to CIIS over the next five years. CIIS intends to use the immediate windfall for increasing their faculty (now at 40) and programs, and upgrading the administrative computer system. Future funds will go towards permanent physical facilities and to seed an endowment fund-raising campaign. Rockefeller is a long-standing admirer and supporter of CIIS programs."*

- ▶ CIIS.org, Faculty: Somatic Psychology: Don Hanlon Johnson': *"Professor Johnson is the founder of the Somatics Program, the first of its kind, established in 1983. After a brief career in teaching academic philosophy, he encountered various methods of deepening body experience and changing body structure-Feldenkrais, F.M. Alexander, Rolfing, Sensory Awareness, Orgononomy, Authentic Movement, Middendorf Breath Work, Rosen Work, Continuum, Body-Mind Centering, Osteopathy, and a host of others. ... Over some twenty years, with the support of Esalen Institute, Professor Johnson gathered a number of creators of training schools to explore shared understandings of the body in the world."*

### **(Deepak) Chopra Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 2009 by Indian new age guru Deepak Chopra, who tries to integrate quantum mechanics with spirituality. Major pusher of alternative healing programs.
- ▶ 1997, Robin Winks, 'Laurance S. Rockefeller: Catalyst For Conservation', p. 51: *"At various times LSR would be influenced by Teilhard de Chardin ... Jan Christian Smuts ... by Joseph Campbell [with] A Hero of a Thousand Faces ... and by Deepak Chopra..."*
- ▶ His 1993 book *Ageless Body, Timeless Mind: The Quantum Alternative to Growing Old* sold 400,000 copies in one week

after he was interviewed on Oprah, which happened due to his friendship with Michael Jackson.

- ▶ Estimated to be worth over \$80 million in 2014. By 2005 he was charging \$25,000 to \$30,000 per lecture and often gave 5 or 6 lectures per month.
- ▶ Major enemy of the professional rent-a-skeptic network, including such individuals as James Randi, Michael Shermer, Paul Kurtz and Phil Plait. Huge supporter of questionable new age and Coast to Coast AM-related individuals as [Rupert Sheldrake](#).
- ▶ Deepak Chopra has been on the international advisory board of Edgar Mitchell's [Institute of Noetic Sciences \(IONS\)](#), together with Amit Goswami, who has been key in integrating quantum mechanics with spirituality, and Rockefeller and Rothschild-allied superclass members Maurice Strong ([1001 Club](#) member) and Desmond Tutu:
  - ▶ [noetic.org/about/board.cfm](#) (accessed: June 12, 2010):  
*"BOARD OF DIRECTORS ... Edgar D. Mitchell - Founder. ... INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD: ... Deepak Chopra. Amit Goswami... Michael Murphy. Dean Ornish. ... Maurice Strong. Most Reverend Desmond Tutu. IONS FELLOWS: ... Van Jones [George Soros asset]. James O'Dea. Rupert Sheldrake. Charles Tart. .... GUIDING DIRECTORS: .... Willis W. Harman, President Emeritus, 1975-1996."*
- ▶ Dr. Edgar Mitchell is a [Coast to Coast AM-affiliated](#) new age scam artist, with IONS having received financing from the [Tides Foundation](#). Through its long-time president Willis Harman, IONS is tied to a wider network of new age sustainable development groups, such as the [Foundation for Gaia](#). Like a number of IONS board members, Harman is also tied to [SRI](#) and the [Esalen Institute](#).
- ▶ Chopra and his son, as well as Goswami and other IONS board members besides Mitchell, have been invited to Coast to Coast AM on a number of occasions, which by itself [almost guarantees](#) that they are all scam artists trying to provide the world with an alternative 21st century religion.
- ▶ Some other associations of Deepak Chopra also reveal his backing by the [superclass](#):
  - ▶ May 17, 1996, Dr. Victor J. Stenger of the University of Hawaii (conversation with Jack Sarfatti), 'Quantum Quackery', 7th revised draft version: *"[Jack Sarfatti:] Both [my old colleague] Fritjof Capra and [Deepak] Chopra were featured speakers at a recent celebration of the Gorbachev Foundation at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco [a [State of the World Forum](#) event]. Capra and Chopra shared the stage with former President George Bush and former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Indeed, Capra is a personal friend of the Gorbachevs who*

*takes his social ideas very seriously. A fact not missed by the paranoid far right of the militia who still consider Gorbachev as the Anti-Christ Spy Master leading a Trojan Horse operation of "One World Government to enslave the United States using the UN". The Skeptics were conspicuous by their absence at this August meeting of the rich, the powerful, the influential, and the beautiful which included Ted Turner and Jane Fonda. Chopra was also featured by Bill Gates on his Microsoft Network. He has a team of writers who take down his words and churn out the books. ... By a strange coincidence, Deepak Chopra personally contacted me by email in the middle of all this on an unrelated matter. So I am forwarding all of this to him for his comments. He is in La Jolla right now and so am I."*

- ▶ [choprafoundation.org/speakers/general-wesley-k-clark/](http://choprafoundation.org/speakers/general-wesley-k-clark/) (accessed: February 20, 2016): *"Speakers: General Wesley K. Clark. Business Man, Educator, Writer, and Commentator"*
- ▶ [choprafoundation.org/spirituality/deepak-and-general-colin-powell/](http://choprafoundation.org/spirituality/deepak-and-general-colin-powell/) (accessed: February 20, 2016): *"Deepak and Colin Powell discuss changing the world at the Sages conference."*

## Esalen Institute

- ▶ Esalen is a large spiritual center where more than 500 workshops per year are held. Many conferences and workshops are public. Others, through its Center for Theory and Research (CTR), private. It was founded in 1962 by Stanford graduates Michael Murphy (a close Laurance Rockefeller friend since around this time) and Dick Price on the Pacific Ocean coast on land owned by Murphy's family. Crucial advice came from mentors as the Anglo-American Establishment-connected writer Aldous Huxley, psychedelic guru and Zen Buddhist Alan Watts, and mythologist Joseph Campbell. [Watts and Campbell were recipients of Paul Mellon funding since 1950](#), at which point they also entered the circle of Laurance Rockefeller. Price and Watts knew each other since the 1950s and Huxley's ideas on integrating Hindu philosophy and spirituality into western culture played a particularly significant role in Esalen's founding principles.
- ▶ [esalen.org/page/esalen-founders](http://esalen.org/page/esalen-founders) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"Michael Murphy is cofounder and Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Esalen Institute, and serves as Director of Esalen's Center for Theory & Research (CTR). Born and raised in Salinas, California, Murphy graduated from Stanford University in 1952. He lived for a year and*

a half at the Sri Aurobindo Ashram in Pondicherry, India before starting Esalen Institute in 1962 with his fellow Stanford graduate, Richard Price. ... Murphy is director of the Center for Theory & Research (CTR), the groundbreaking research center for Esalen Institute. In addition to serving as Director, Murphy leads a number of CTR initiatives, including one that explores the empirical evidence of post-mortem survival, another to explore encompassing visions of evolution that reconcile scientific and mystical perspectives, and one on meditation research. ... Richard Price was co-founder of Esalen Institute with Michael Murphy. From a Chicago family of business men and women, Dick graduated from Stanford University the same year as Michael although the two did not meet at that time. After a year of graduate work at Harvard, Dick left due to the lack of clinical emphasis. He joined the Air Force and was stationed in the San Francisco Bay area where he simultaneously studied at the Academy of Asian Studies with Alan Watts and actively explored eastern practices in the midst of the North Beach Beat scene."

- ▶ [esalen.org/page/lodge](http://esalen.org/page/lodge) (accessed: March 11, 2016): "In the 1950s, the Lodge was a restaurant and gathering place for the Big Sur community including Henry Miller, who lived on Partington Ridge. He'd soak in the baths and then come up to the Lodge to write. In the late 1950s you might have seen Steve McQueen, Joan Baez, or a young Hunter S. Thompson, who the Murphy family hired (briefly!) as a caretaker. In 1962, Michael Murphy and Richard Price started Esalen Institute. Soon, Alan Watts gave a lecture in the Lodge, and the famous psychologist Abraham Maslow stopped in looking for a room. Maslow settled in as a frequent visitor, and regular workshops started to happen in the Lodge."
- ▶ [press.uchicago.edu/Misc/Chicago/453699.html](http://press.uchicago.edu/Misc/Chicago/453699.html): "In June of 1961, Murphy and Price drove down to Santa Monica to visit Gerald Heard, a reclusive visionary British intellectual who had arrived in the States with his partner, Christopher Wood, as well as with Aldous and Maria Huxley, and their son Matthew on April 12, 1937. Hollywood screen writer and novelist Christopher Isherwood would follow not long after. Huxley, Heard, and Isherwood would eventually have a major impact on the American countercultural appropriation of Hinduism. All three would be influenced by the Vedanta philosophy of Swami Prabhavananda, the charismatic head of the Vedanta Society of Southern California. All three finally would spend much of their mature years reflecting on what this Indian philosophy could offer the

West in a long series of essays, books, and lectures. Quite appropriately, Alan Watts and Felix Greene called them "the British Mystical Expatriates of Southern California." It was Huxley and Heard, however, who would have the most influence on the founding of Esalen. Although Murphy and Price actually met Aldous Huxley only once, in January of 1962 when the author visited them briefly in Big Sur shortly before his death on November 22, 1963 (the same day, it turns out, that JFK was assassinated), his intellectual and personal influence on the place was immense. His second wife, Laura, would become a long-time friend of Esalen, where she would fill any number of roles, including acting as a sitter for one of Murphy's psychedelic sessions. Aldous Huxley's writings on the mystical dimensions of psychedelics and on what he called the perennial philosophy were foundational. Moreover, his call for an institution that could teach the "nonverbal humanities" and the development of the "human potentialities" functioned as the working mission statement of early Esalen. Indeed, the very first Esalen brochures actually bore the Huxley-inspired title, "the human potentiality." This same phrase would later morph in a midnight brainstorming session between Michael Murphy and George Leonard into the now well-known "human potential movement." When developing the early brochures for Esalen, Murphy was searching for a language that could mediate between his own Aurobindonian evolutionary mysticism and the more secular and psychological language of American culture. It was Huxley who helped him to create such a new hybrid language."

- ▶ [esalen.org/person/anne-watts](http://esalen.org/person/anne-watts): "Anne Watts was deeply influenced by her father, the pioneering philosopher Alan Watts. She leads workshops on 4 continents, teaching adults to have more loving, fulfilling relationships. Anne has been leading Love, Intimacy and Sexuality workshops since 1985."
- ▶ Summer 2002, volume 14, number 2, Friends of Esalen newsletter, 'Esalen Institute Turns Forty', pp. 1-2: "It was in the fall of 1962 that Michael Murphy and Dick Price founded Esalen as an alternative educational center devoted to the exploration of what Aldous Huxley called the "human potential," the world of unrealized human capacities that lies beyond the imagination. ... The history of the land is peppered with stories of Native Americans called the Esselen who lived on the land long ago. ... When Esalen opened, Michael and Dick began inviting eminent speakers to Esalen: British historian Arnold Toynbee; double Nobel prize-winner Linus

*Pauling; Harvard behaviorist B.F. Skinner; distinguished psychologists Carl Rogers, Abraham Maslow, Rollo May, and Claudio Naranjo; pioneering parapsychologist J.B. Rhine; theologian Paul Tillich; Bishop John Robinson; authors Aldous Huxley, Alan Watts, and Carlos Castaneda; family therapy innovator Virginia Satir; creativity researcher Frank Barron; general semanticist S.I. Hayakawa; mythologist Joseph Campbell; psychedelic researcher Stan Grof; research psychologist Julian Silverman; and anthropologist and philosopher Gregory Bateson. All these and many more came, sometimes traveling over great distances to an unknown institute that offered the most modest of fees. ... Esalen Institute's first catalog was a small brochure that bore the name of Big Sur Hot Springs rather than Esalen. It was issued in the fall of 1962 offering 5 different one- or two-day seminars. Those first workshop titles included Individual Cultural Definitions of Rationality; The Expanding Vision; and Drug-Induced Mysticism."*

- ▶ Early on Esalen founder Michael Murphy was a close friend of Laurance Rockefeller, who provided much of the financing of Esalen over the years. There are also a number of historical and present ties to the [Carnegie Corporation](#), [Ford Foundation](#), [Tides Foundation](#), [Packard Foundation](#) (above) and [Mellon-linked Roy A. Hunt Foundation](#):
  - ▶ [columbia.edu/cu/lweb/eresources/archives/rbml/Carnegie/index.html?ccny3A3.html&](http://columbia.edu/cu/lweb/eresources/archives/rbml/Carnegie/index.html?ccny3A3.html&) (Carnegie Corporation of New York Records, 1872-2000): *"Series III. Grants III.A. Grant files, ca.1911-1988 (1408 boxes): ... Esalen Institute, 1969-1974 "*
  - ▶ [esalen.org/air/esalen\\_initiativesfoldr/esalen\\_initiatives1.shtml](http://esalen.org/air/esalen_initiativesfoldr/esalen_initiatives1.shtml) (July 10, 2006: *"1967: a Ford Foundation grant led to the creation of the Ford/Esalen Project in Confluent Education, joining affective and cognitive learning. Dr. George Brown, a regular Esalen workshop leader and Professor of Education at UC-Santa Barbara, spearheaded the program. His work was summarized in an Esalen book entitled Human Teaching for Human Learning. and a subsequent book called The Live Education: Innovations Through Confluent Education and Gestalt. This project gave rise to the Confluent Education program at UC-Santa Barbara's School of Education, which has conferred more than 80 doctorates and 300 master's degrees. ... 1970-1973: Esalen implemented a sub-grant from George Brown's Ford Foundation work in which fourteen teachers and principals spent three years training in Esalen techniques and then applied such methods to their work in education."*



- In the 1970s Esalen Institute founder Michael Murphy entered into a partnership with the billionaire Rockefeller-allied [Packard Foundation](#) in the Big Sur Land Trust: December 13, 2001, Monterey County Weekly, 'The Big Sur Land Trust is trying to buy paradise': *"In 23 years, the Land Trust has worked similar kinds of deals to protect 20,000 acres of rare ocean views, redwood-forested watersheds and other significant lands. The Land Trust now owns more than 3,600 acres outright. Another 7,000-plus acres have been put into public ownership through Land Trust deals. The Trust has permanently prevented development on another 10,000 acres by purchasing conservation easements, or by implementing other land-law devices. To hear Leavy tell it, the Land Trust had modest beginnings. "A bunch of us, six families, met for about a year, sitting around kitchen tables, and talked about setting up a way to keep Big Sur from being overrun," he says. Then Michael Murphy, the founder of the Esalen Institute, gave the fledgling group a 50-percent ownership interest in 26 acres just north of Esalen. A neighbor's mother gave a gift of less than \$2,000 to seed a land fund, and the Trust for Public Land held it until the BSLT received its blessing from the IRS as a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. A major gift from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, which allowed the BSLT to put a conservation easement on 3,000 acres, followed shortly thereafter. "And we never stopped," Leavy says."*
- Summer 2002, volume 14, number 2, Friends of Esalen newsletter, 'Esalen Institute Turns Forty', pp. 1-2: *"We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many wonderful Friends of Esalen who generously support our operations and special projects. The following is a list of friends who have given over \$500 from 1/1/2002-6/07/2002. We couldn't be here without you!*

*CENTURY CIRCLE - gifts of \$10,000 or more: Anonymous in the name of Anumotana • Lawrence M. Gelb Foundation, Inc. (Richard and Tana Gelb) [of the elite superclass family of Bruce and Leslie Gelb] • Global Business Network • Andrew Hixon and Michelle Martinez-Hixon • Charly and Lisa Kleissner • Social Alliance Marketing (Kevin Bartram and Jeff Klein)*

*FOUNDERS CIRCLE - gifts of \$5,000 to \$9,999: Penny Christensen • Ken Dychtwald • [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#) • Mary Ellen Klee • Peter Taubkin • Keith VanVliet.*

*GROUP 2000 - gifts of \$2,000 to \$4,999: Nancy Bourgeois • Harriett Crosby • ENSAR Group • John McQuown • Charles Olson • Colby Sandlian • Terry Saracino and Paul*

Strasburg · Daniel Susott · Tides Foundation · The Monterey Fund. ...

*SUSTAINING DONORS - gifts of \$500 to \$999: ... Integral Institute, Inc · ... Schwab Fund for Charitable Giving..."*

- ▶ [Tides Foundation](#) annual grants lists:
  - ▶ 2004: \$100.
  - ▶ 2005: \$5,000.
  - ▶ 2008: \$2,000.
  - ▶ 2009: \$500.
  - ▶ 2013: \$700.
  - ▶ 2014: \$500.
- ▶ 2010 edition, Library of Congress Foundation Center, 'Foundation Grants for Preservation in Libraries, Archives, and Museums': *"Roy A. Hunt Foundation: ... Esalen Institute, Big Sur, CA. \$12,000, 2007. For library/archive project, for Center for Theory and Research, and for general operating support.."*
- ▶ Grants lists for years 2015-2016, Roy A. Hunt Foundation (Mellon-linked): "
  - *Esalen Institute Big Sur CA general operating support \$10,000 2016 General Grant.*
  - *Esalen Institute Big Sur CA general operating support \$10,000 2016 General Grant.*
  - *Esalen Institute Big Sur CA general operating support \$5,000 2015 General Grant.*
  - *Esalen Institute Big Sur CA general operating support \$7,500 2015 General Grant."*
- ▶ Laurance Rockefeller has sponsored a number of conferences over the years. Today his daughter, Laura Rockefeller Chasin, is director of Esalen's CTR program:
  - ▶ 2012, Marion Goldman, 'The American Soul Rush: Esalen and the Rise of Spiritual Privilege', pp. 143-147: *"John Templeton, who developed global mutual funds, and Laurance Rockefeller, an heir to one of America's great fortunes, promoted inclusive religiosity and spiritual innovation through their extensive philanthropy. Rockefeller and his Fund for the Enhancement of Human Spirit supplied vital resources for the Institute and projects directly related to it, while Templeton supported different venues, although he occasionally funded specific projects and individuals associated with Esalen. Laurance Rockefeller once informed Michael that there were three living Americans who might be able to transform American culture: the comedian Woody Allen, California governor Jerry Brown, a longstanding friend of the Institute, and Michael himself (Kripal 2007a:421). From the early 1970s until his death, in 2004, Rockefeller donated*

millions of dollars to Esalen and three related organizations that promote inclusive spirituality and synthesize Asian and Western traditions: the San Francisco Zen Center, the Lindisfarne Association, and the California Institute for Integral Studies. Because of his mother's interest in Zen Buddhism, Rockefeller, an exemplar of spiritual privilege, explored religion and philosophy as a teenager. His curiosity about alternative spirituality and transcendent experience expanded after he became an undergraduate philosophy major at Princeton (Winks and Babitt 1997:52). Throughout his life, Rockefeller supported endeavors that he believed could reconcile science with the supernatural and demonstrate that God is an ephemeral, albeit powerful essence that permeates all human existence (Kaufman 2004; Stark 2001:99-113). Investments in profitable start-ups like Eastern Airlines, Intel, and Apple helped Rockefeller multiply his inheritance and made him a billionaire (Kaufman 2004). He was a high-profile advocate for environmentalism and wilderness preservation and donated hundreds of millions of dollars for conservation and environmental research (Winks and Babitt 1997). However, Rockefeller usually downplayed his controversial financial gifts to projects involving alternative spirituality. For example, he rarely discussed his substantial grants in support of Harvard professor John E. Mack's research on earthlings' encounters with interplanetary aliens or the money that he later supplied for Mack's legal defense against allegations of professional misconduct. Several years before Mack received his first Rockefeller grants, he attended a small invitational symposium in Bug Sur that Michael organized in 1987 (Grof 2003). While he never entered the Institute's inner circle, Mack continued to participate in Esalen's loose social networks, and some of those contacts helped him tap Rockefeller's largesse, just as casual social connections that at the Institute have helped many other spiritual entrepreneurs. However, good friends, rather than acquaintances, introduced Michael to Rockefeller in the 1960s, and Michael soon became the billionaire's trusted adviser for different projects to advance personal and spiritual potential. Rockefeller donated millions of dollars to Esalen for renovations and new buildings, invitational conferences, and Michael's book about

extraordinary human functionin, *The Future of the Body* (Murphy 1992:xii). With Rockefeller's support, Michael transferred his personal archive of more than ten thousand documents and case histories about extraordinary human abilities to the Stanford Medical School Library, unintentionally carrying forward Thomas Welton Stanford's early vision of elite universities as sites for research and teaching about the supernatural. Rockefeller also gave millions of dollars to the San Francisco Zen Center from 1971 through 1984, during the years when Richard Baker [\[Alan Watts asked Baker to do his funeral ceremony two months before his death\]](#), one of Michael's closest friends, served as abbot. In the late 1960s, Baker became a nationally known figure when he spearheaded fund-raising for the first American Zen training monastery at Tassajara, another inland hot-springs retreat just over the Santa Lucia Mountains that backed the Institute (Downing 2001:104-107). A few years later, after Baker became abbot in charge of the San Francisco Center and Tassajara, Rockefeller provided money for the Zen Center to buy Green Gulch Farm [organic farming] on a beautiful site twenty miles north of San Francisco. ... During the 1970s, the Zen Center's Bay Area business empire expanded to include an organic produce market, partially stocked by Green Gulch; the alaya Stitchery, which made and sold futons and natural-fiber clothing; a small bookstore; a bakery; and an award-winning vegetarian restaurant that overlooked San Francisco Bay (Downing 2001:32). All but one business closed within a decae... Baker's startups were less about making money than increasing public awareness and democratizing access to Zen (Tipton 1982). Therefore, publicity and fund-raising marked the auspicious beginning of each new venture. Early in 1967, for example, San Francisco's Avalon Ballroom was the site of a huge benefit where the Grateful Dead and Janis Joplin raised money for the Tassajara monastery and retreat center (Downing 2001:107). ... Rockefeller's largesse soon eclipsed the sum of all of their [Xerox founder, CEO of Fidelity Mutual Investment and a "well-connected, wealthy East Coast socialite"] generosity. ... During the 1970s and early 1980s, Baker and Michael traveled together to the Netherlands and the Soviet Union... By everyone [who Price and Baker gathered], Michael meant people like California governor Jerry Brown... Rank-

*and file Zen Center students never joined their lively conversations... Unless people were very talented or wealthy, they never became part of Baker' or Michael's inner circles, and they rarely met Rockefeller or other major donors. Long after Zen students had forced Richard Baker out because of his various transgressions, including his love of luxuries, Michael defended his friend. ... Baker left the Bay Area in 1984 [and soon] moved to Colorado as founding abbot of Crestone Mountain Zen Center, an isolated retreat high in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains (Downing 2001:286, 341). At Crestone, Baker continued to spread the message of maximizing human and spiritual possibilities, and he still maintained his close ties to Michael at Esalen. Laurance Rockefeller funded Crestone Mountain Zen Center through the Lindisfarne Foundation, a non-profit organization that began in 1972 with the purpose of investigating the spiritual foundations that are shared by all religions. Esalen inspired its founder, William Thompson, a former MIT professor... Another wealthy Zen Center supporter had introduced Thompson to Rockefeller and the billionaire provided Lindisfarne with significant donations from the 1970s through the 1990s. ... Since Rockefeller stepped back, the Fetzer Institute, founded by a Michigan media entrepreneur, provides most of Lindisfarne's funding."*

- ▶ 1992, James Ogilvy, 'Revisioning Philosophy', p. xvi: *"With the aid of a generous three-year grant from Laurance Rockefeller, the Esalen Institute Program on Revisioning Philosophy was initiated in 1986."*
- ▶ [esalen.org/air/esalen\\_initiativesfoldr/esalen\\_initiatives1.shtml](http://esalen.org/air/esalen_initiativesfoldr/esalen_initiatives1.shtml) (accessed: July 10, 2006: *"1988: first of three conferences on "The Body and Spirituality," funded by Laurance Rockefeller's Fund for the Enhancement of the Human Spirit... second conference on "The Body and Spirituality" convened by Don Hanlon Johnson. Participants: ... [David Griffin](#), Jean Lanier. "*
- ▶ 2012, Esalen Institute, 'Esalen's Half-Century of Pioneering Cultural Initiatives 1962 to 2012': *"1992: the Joseph Campbell Foundation Invitational Conference, which [is] the foundation's first year of operation and [when it] planned its future activities, including a major conference... "*
  - ▶ [jcf.org/new/index.php?categoryid=36](http://jcf.org/new/index.php?categoryid=36) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"Emeritus*

*Associates: Jean Erdman Campbell°, Chair Emeritus ... Sam Keen ‡ ... Laurance Rockefeller ‡ § ... Erdman-Campbell Award ... Initial recipients: Stewart Brand, writer, editor, futurist, creator of the Whole Earth Catalog and co-founder of The WELL..."*

► [blockyourid.com/~gbpprorg/mil/mindcontrol/hambone/rockefeller.html](http://blockyourid.com/~gbpprorg/mil/mindcontrol/hambone/rockefeller.html) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"Reportedly, Rockefeller has stopped funding Mack. He continues to fund PEAR (Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research), and is a Funding Advisor to the Joseph Campbell Foundation. He also funds the Starlight Coalition, which claims membership of several former government and military personnel who want to end government secrecy on UFOs."*

► [esalen.org/page/ctr-october-2014-participant-biographies](http://esalen.org/page/ctr-october-2014-participant-biographies) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"Laura Chasin [Laura Rockefeller Chasin, daughter of Laurance Rockefeller] After earning an M.A. in government from Harvard University and an M.S.W. in social work from Simmons College, Laura Chasin did extensive post-graduate training in family therapy and psychodrama. Laura brought this diverse intellectual background to launching the Public Conversation Project in 1989. After four years of experimenting and action research and a planning grant from the Hewlett Foundation, the Public Conversations Project became a non-profit organization dedicated to using dialogue to transform conflict and foster collaboration among people divided by their core values, identities or world views. ... Priscilla Lewis Priscilla Lewis is a senior advisor to the National Purpose Initiative, a new project being incubated at the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. ... She co-founded U.S. in the World during her tenure as program officer for peace and security at the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, where she designed and implemented grantmaking strategies..."*

► Persons involved at one point or another (largely through its invitation-only CTR network):

► **Alan Watts:** Virtual co-founder of Esalen. Close friend of Esalen co-founder Dick Price since the 1950s. Psychedelic pioneer. Had his own program on the Ford Foundation-backed [Pacifica Radio](#). Died in 1973.

► **Aldous Huxley:** Elite-connected author whose family is tied to Darwinism, eugenics and nature conservation. In

1961 his brother Julian Huxley, for example, founded and financed the [World Wildlife Fund](#) with Prince Bernhard, Prince Philip and other members of the liberal establishment. Since the late 1930s Aldous was a follower of the Hindu mystery religion based on the Upanishads, mainly through Jiddu Krishnamurti and Swami Prabhavananda. Psychedelic pioneer. Served as chief spiritual/religious inspiration for Esalen founders Michael Murphy and Dick Price. Died in 1963, age 69, a year after the Esalen Institute was founded.

- ▶ **Laura Huxley:** As the wife of Aldous Huxley, also closely involved in Esalen and the psychedelic group. Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Dr. Timothy Leary:** Famous Harvard psychedelic pioneer. Close friend of Esalen co-founder Michael Murphy.
- ▶ **Frank Barron:** Graduate classmate of Timothy Leary at Berkely. Early LSD researcher who was close to Leary, Allen Ginsberg and Michael Murphy, the founder of the Esalen Institute. Founding board member of Esalen. Did research on creative people.
- ▶ **Dr. Richard Alpert/Ram Dass:** Famous Harvard psychedelic pioneer turned Hindu guru. Close friend of the above individuals. Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Willis Harman:** Professor of engineering at Stanford. Led a first 1962 conference at Esalen right after its founding in 1962 titled *The Expanding Vision*. Still a regular at Esalen in the 1990s. Consultant to the White House's National Goals Research Staff. LSD protege of the mysterious government-connected Captain Al Hubbard. Vice-president of Myron Stolaroff's International Foundation for Advanced Study (IFAS) in Menlo Park, apparently hired due to the influence of Hubbard. Director of the Educational Policy Research Center and then the Center for the Study of Social Policy of [SRI International](#), conducting LSD research. Hired Al Hubbard as a consultant to SRI in 1968 until the late 1970s. Present at a 1979 meeting at Oscar Janiger's house with Al Hubbard, Leary, Osmond, Laura Huxley and others. President of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#). Director of the [Foundation for Gaia](#). Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#). Participant in the Rockefeller-backed [State of the World Forum](#) in the 1990s.
- ▶ **Hunter Thompson:** A young security guard at Esalen who got fired for being too aggressive with squatters. Famous drug/psychedelic abuser.
- ▶ **Stewart Brand:** Involved in the creation of the Esalen Sports Center in 1973 and overall part of the network. Passenger of Ken Kesey's psychedelic bus in the 1960s.



Instrumental in setting up the counterculture/communal living movement and then, after debates about the importance of technology, the cybernetics movement. Speaker at the first [TED Conference](#) in 1984 and, as a close friend of Edge Foundation founder John Brockman, an important participant in the annual Billionaires Dinners of the [Edge Foundation](#), which are tightly linked to the TED Conferences. Joined the board of the rather elite Santa Fe Institute in 1988.

- ▶ **Myron Stolaroff:** MA in electrical engineering from Stanford. Founder and president International Foundation for Advanced Study (IFAS) in Menlo Park 1960-1970. Conducted clinical studies with mescaline and LSD here. Among the initial batch of Esalen speakers, along with Alan Watts. Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Dr. Stanislav Grof:** LSD and MDMA research pioneer. Live-in scholar 1973-1987 who organized numerous Esalen conferences. Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Rick Doblin:** Protege of Grof at Esalen since 1981 and eventually graduated from Harvard. Founder of the Rockefeller and Pritzker-backed [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#).
- ▶ **Dr. Albert Hofmann:** Discoverer of LSD. Synthesized LSD and psilocybin for the [Harvard psychedelic group](#) of Timothy Leary and Ram Dass. Co-founder [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Ken Kesey:** Psychedelic adventurer/pioneer whose can be tied to the [Harvard Psychedelic Project](#) of Timothy Leary and Ram Dass.
- ▶ **Dr. John Lilly:** Creator of the isolation tank, dolphin researcher and Ketamine pioneer/abuser. According to his old friend Rick Doblin, Lilly also abused cocaine. Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Terence McKenna:** Famous but scammy psychedelic adventurer backed by Laurance Rockefeller. Scholar-in-residence at the Esalen Institute. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Dr. Ralph Metzner:** Psychedelic pioneer; founder of the Rockefeller-backed [Green Earth Foundation](#) and [Heffter Research Institute](#) with Dr. Dennis McKenna, the brother of Terence McKenna.
- ▶ **Dr. Humphry Osmond:** Psychedelic research pioneer who invented the term "psychedelics" with Aldous Huxley. Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Gordon Wasson:** Discoverer of the psychedelic mushroom, from which Albert Hofmann synthesized psilocybin.

- ▶ **Dr. Andrew Weil:** Psychedelic researcher who as a student was part of the Timothy Leary's and Ram Dass' [Harvard psychedelic project](#).
- ▶ **Dr. Alexander Shulgin:** Harvard and UCLA-educated psychedelic pioneer since the late 1950s. Introduced MDMA to psychologists for psychopharmaceutical use in the late 1970s. Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Dr. Rick Strassman:** DMT researcher who first came to Esalen in 1985. After DMT research in the mid-1990s, Strassman developed a theory on alien abductions. In 2007 he founded the [Cottonwood Research Foundation](#). [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Dr. Hal Puthoff:** Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Stanford in 1967. Highest level OT VII in the Church of Scientology by 1971. Came to Esalen around 1970. In 1972 he set up the CIA remote viewing project at [SRI](#), his first recruit being Ingo Swann, whom he heard about through Army Counter-Intelligence Corps and CIA interrogator (and FBI/police interrogation teacher) Cleve Backster, who himself pushed the fraudulent idea that plants can "feel pain" and know when they are about to be "killed". Remained at SRI when the Air Force and DIA took over the remote viewing projects in the late 1970s and throughout the 1980s.
- ▶ **Dr. John Mack:** Famous but scammy alien abduction researcher who became a Rockefeller agent through the Esalen Institute. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Dr. Rupert Sheldrake:** Famous but questionable paranormal researcher who used to work for the Rockefeller and Ford Foundation interests. Advisory board Rhine Research Center. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Joan Baez:** Famous musician of the Woodstock era.
- ▶ **Dr. Abraham Maslow:** Famous psychologist who was one of the first lecturers at Esalen.
- ▶ **Buckminster Fuller:** CIA-tied architect, systems theorist, author, designer, and inventor. Fuller published more than 30 books, coining or popularizing terms such as "Spaceship Earth", "ephemeralization", and "synergetic". Second Mensa president 1974-1983.
- ▶ **B.F. Skinner:** Ph.D. from Harvard in 1931. Famous Harvard behaviorist psychologist 1958-1974 who introduced operant conditioning.
- ▶ **J.B. Rhine:** Of the Rhine Institute, which supposedly investigates parapsychology, but is a center for con artists. Many persons of the Rhine Research Center today are guests of [Coast to Coast AM](#).
- ▶ **Linus Pauling:** Rockefeller-backed scientist who became a major peace activist concerned with the radioactive

fall-out of nuclear weapons, including testing. Promoted on [Pacifica Radio](#).

- ▶ **Dr. Carlos Castaneda:** Ph.D. in anthropology from UCLA; author who claimed to be an initiate into Toltec shamanism/mysticism; on the cover of Time magazine in 1973, after which he retired from public life; became a recluse who lived in a house with three women who severed all ties with their families; resurfaced in the 1990s to promote his Tensegrity set of movement, supposedly based on 25 generations of Toltec shamans..
- ▶ **Deepak Chopra:** multimillionaire Indian guru who has been involved in the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#) and has his own [Chopra Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Dr. Sam Keen:** Harvard and Princeton-educated professor and philosopher promoted by PBS and the like; 20-year contributing editor at Psychology Today magazine.
- ▶ **Dr. Dean Ornish:** Promoter of holistic living and vegetarianism and aided the Clintons with this subject. Promoted by People magazine, Time-Life and PBS. Advisory board [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#). Anno 2017 on the advisory council of the Center for Contemplative Mind in Society with Ram Dass, Andrew Weil and top Rockefeller family agent Anne Bartley.
- ▶ **Arnold J. Toynbee:** British historian and international affairs specialist whose uncle and namesake was tied to the ecret Society and Milner Group. Director of studies RIIA. Early Esalen participant. Died in 1975.
- ▶ **Laurance Rockefeller:** Close friend of Esalen founder Michael Murphy, whom he recruited as his advisor on esoteric matters, and a life-long financial sponsor of the institute.
- ▶ **Laura Rockefeller Chasin:** Daughter of Laurance Rockefeller.
- ▶ **Jean Lanier:** Close friend of Laurance Rockefeller and deeply involved in Esalen.
- ▶ **Sen. Claiborne Pell:** Important manipulator of the UFO field in the 1980s and 1990s whose assistant C. B. Scott Jones also worked for UFO manipulators Laurance Rockefeller and Prince Hans Adam II von Liechtenstein.
- ▶ **Dr. Dean Radin:** Paranormal/psi researcher. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Robert McDermott:** President of the Laurance Rockefeller-backed [California Institute of Integral Studies \(CIIS\)](#) in the 1990s. Former chair of the Rudolf Steiner Institute.
- ▶ **Dr. Russell Targ:** Involved in the remote viewing program at [SRI](#), and also in studying Uri Geller. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Dr. Edgar Mitchell:** Famous astronaut and Moon walker.

Involved in the remote viewing program at [SRI](#), and also in studying Uri Geller. Founder [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#), which counts the involvement of new age United Nations elites as Maurice Strong and Desmond Tutu. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.

- ▶ **Uri Geller:** World famous alleged psychic with psychokinetic abilities. Caught using trickery in several cases. Massive ties to the top of the Mossad, Israeli military Intelligence and prime ministers as Golda Meir, Ariel Sharon and Benjamin Netanyahu before he became a public psi performer (see [Uri Geller's C2C AM biography](#) for details). After his career went downhill in Israel in 1971, he recruited by Edgar Mitchell delegate Col. Andrija Puharich and brought for "study" to SRI International, to the same lab where the CIA and Mitchell were running the remote viewers of Project Stargate from. Parallel to this a clandestine remote viewing program at [SRI](#) was underway, headed by Russell Targ, Hal Puthoff and also to a degree Edgar Mitchell. The SRI group stood at the base of Geller's fame and subsequent notoriety. It appears Puharich's hypnosis sessions convinced Geller that he was an extraterrestrial in touch with a conscious super-computer on a spaceship. Apart from Esalen, [IONS](#) and SRI, for some years closely affiliated with Puharich's [Round Table Foundation and Lab Nine group](#). [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Dr. Charles Tart:** Frequent Esalen Institute conference participant. Consultant to psi research at [SRI International](#). Advisory board [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#). First holder of the Bigelow Chair of Consciousness Studies at the University of Nevada, named after a major UFO subject manipulator. Advisory board Rhine Center and Albert Hofmann Foundation. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Stephan Schwartz:** Paranormal researcher; advisory board Rhine Research Center for Parapsychology. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Dr. Jim Tucker:** Reinacarnation researcher who continued along the lines of Dr. Ian Stevenson.
- ▶ **Moshe Feldenkrais:** Developer of the Feldenkrais method.
- ▶ **Jack Sarfatti:** Director of an Esalen physics program in the 1970s. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Fred Alan Wolff:** Quantum physicist who back in the 1970s was part of Jack Sarfatti's Fundamental Fysiks Group at Berkeley; [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Fritjof Capra:** Austrian-born American physicist and another member of the Fundamental Fysiks Group. International Council member of Maurice Strong's [Earth Charter](#). Seen as one of the pioneers of the holonomic /

holographic universe model.

- ▶ **Karl Pribram:** He and David Bohm (to be found at [SRI International](#) with the Uri Geller experiments in the early 1970s) helped produced the holographic universe model of perception/consciousness, discussed in detail in the 1991 cult classic *The Holographic Model*. February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': "... [Barbara] Honegger worked with Esalen's first director of the Soviet exchange program Jim Hickman, [[Esalen](#) founder] Michael Murphy and [[IONS](#) director] Brendan O. Regan. ... Barbara sued Stanford Professor Karl Pribram in an assault case and won."
- ▶ **Elizabeth Kubler-Ross:** Reincarnation researcher; the notorious Col. John Alexander was one of her students/proteges.
- ▶ **Walter Breen:** Numismatist. Old mentor of Jack Sarfatti at Cornell University. Brought to Esalen by Sarfatti for a number of workshops. Serial child molester from the 1950s to the 1990s, dying in prison in prison after a new round of charges, including one from his daughter. According to Sarfatti, Breen coordinated Sandia National Laboratories-funded parapsychological research studies of New York City gifted children (so-called "superkids," including Sarfatti and Robert Bashlow) in psychologist William Herbert Sheldon's Constitutional Laboratory at Columbia Medical School from 1953 to 1956.
- ▶ **Werner Erhard:** Founder of the EST training movement, an outgrowth of the Human Potential Movement of the 1960s.
- ▶ **Barbara Honegger:** Old participant in Esalen meetings who after 9/11 became a [leading Pentagon-no-planer](#).
- ▶ **Saul Paul Sirag:** Physicist who was Barbara Honegger's partner for some time. Chief assistant of Jack Sarfatti at Esalen. Eventually replaced Sarfatti here.
- ▶ **Sir John Whitmore:** March 2008, vol. 1, no. 1, Coaching: An International Journal of Theory, Research and Practice, 'The evolution of coaching: an interview with Sir John Whitmore': *"I had been a professional racing driver, retired, then started a business. [Then] I felt there must be more to life than two competitive games (racing and business). I then went to the Esalen Institute..."*
- ▶ **Andrija Puharich:** Psychedelic and ESP investigator. Originator of "The Nine" Ennead gods of Ancient Egypt at his [Round Table Foundation](#) in January 1953. Brought Uri Geller over to [SRI](#) from Israel in 1971.
- ▶ **Arthur M. Young:** The second-in-command at Andrija Puharich's [Round Table Foundation](#) and involved in the channelling of "The Nine". Founder of the California-

based Institute for the Study of Consciousness in 1972, together with his wife Ruth Forbes Young of the wealthy Forbes family. Chief inspiration of [Robert Temple's](#) (false) theory that the Dogon tribe was visited by space aliens from the Sirius Star System.

- ▶ **Jenny O'Connor:** Alleged channeller of "The Nine", or the Egyptian Ennead Gods. Part of Colonel Andrija Puharich's [Round Table Foundation](#) and [Lab Nine group](#). As an advisor to Esalen co-leader Dick Price she was very controversial at Esalen in the late 1970s and early 1980s.
- ▶ **Ira Einhorn:** Student at the University of Pennsylvania who became an environmental and anti-war activist. Financially backed by the Bronfmans. Murdered his ex-girlfriend in 1977, for which he fled to Europe for 20 years. Eventually convicted. The Bronfmans also financed his lawyer when he was a murder suspect. February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': *"Ira Einhorn had introduced me to [Jacques] Vallee. Einhorn and Vallee were working together on a computer network project that anticipated the Internet. Einhorn originally introduced me to Hazel Henderson, Arthur Young, Stewart Brand and Michael Murphy. Einhorn at Esalen is described by Willian Irwin Thompson in 'The Edge of History'. Congressman Charlie Rose (D. North Carolina) of the House Committee on Intelligence confirmed to me by telephone that Ira was involved in National Security operations. Ira, like O.J. Simpson, always claimed he was framed by "the KGB." It is curious that he was never found. Ira spent weeks at Esalen after he was indicted for the murder of Holly Maddux. Senator Arlen Specter was his defense attorney and one of the Bronfmans from Toronto allegedly paid his legal fees."*
- ▶ **Gregory Bateson:** OSS during WWII, creating black propaganda and deployed to the Far East. Very pacifist and upset with his wartime experience. Married to Margaret Mead 1936-1950. Involved in the Rockefeller-tied [Macy Foundation](#) conferences. Member Laurance Rockefeller-financed [Lindisfarne Association](#). Regent UCLA 1976-1980 (when he died), appointed by California governor and Esalen friend Jerry Brown. Died in 1980 while residing in the guest house of the Laurance Rockefeller-financed San Francisco Zen Center.
- ▶ **Arthur Hastings:** Consultant on remote viewing research at [SRI International](#) in the 1970s. Important player in the parapsychology community.
- ▶ **Adam Crabtree:** [esalen.org/ctr/people/adam-crabtree-phd](http://esalen.org/ctr/people/adam-crabtree-phd): *"Adam Crabtree is a psychotherapist in private practice, specializing in dissociative identity disorder*

and other dissociative disorders. He is on the faculty of the Centre for Training in Psychotherapy and director of the LingYu psychotherapy training program in Toronto. He is author of *Multiple Man: Explorations in Possession and Multiple Personality*. He has published the only extensive modern bibliography of mesmerism and its offshoots: *Animal Magnetism, Early Hypnotism and Psychical Research, from 1766-1920, an Annotated Bibliography*. His study of the origins of dynamic psychiatry and psychology is titled *From Mesmer to Freud: Magnetic Sleep and the Roots of Psychological Healing....*"

- ▶ **Jacques Vallee:** Reowned UFO investigator who wondered about an interdimensional link. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **James Garrison:** Ran the Esalen Institute's Soviet-American Exchange Program in the 1980s, allowing him to meet with top Soviet leaders. Brought Yeltsin over to the United States. Founder of the [Christic Institute](#) and later the [State of the World Forum](#), both with backing of Rockefeller and allies. Chair of the Gorbachev Foundation and introduced Gorbachev to the Rockefellers and other philanthropists.
- ▶ **John D. Marks:** Well-known and critical author on CIA abuses and its MKULTRA programs. In the 1980-1987 he was part of series of Esalen conferences, which in 1982 inspired him to set up his elite, Rockefeller/Carnegie-funded Search for Common Ground NGO. Developed additional elite ties.
- ▶ February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': *"A partial list of participants in the Esalen Physics-Consciousness Seminars while I was director includes: Werner Erhard, Timothy Leary, Ira Einhorn, Jacques Vallee, Fritjof Capra, Gary Zukav, Fred Wolf, Bob Toben, Jean Lanier, Michael Murphy, George Leonard, the late Richard Price, Dr. John Lilly, Dr. Stan Grof, Dr. Joan Halifax-Grof, Bob Toben, Saul Paul Sirag, Nick Herbert, David Finkelstein, Russell Targ, Henry Dakin, Robert Anton Wilson, Karl Pribram, Brian Josephson, David Finkelstein, Barbara Honegger, Jagdish Mann."*
- ▶ 2012, Esalen Institute, 'Esalen's Half-Century of Pioneering Cultural Initiatives 1962 to 2012': *"Most of us know Esalen mainly through public workshops advertised in the catalog. But there is another, usually quieter, Esalen that's by invitation only: the hundreds of private initiatives sponsored now by Esalen's Center for Theory and Research (CTR). Though not well publicized, this other Esalen has had a major impact on America and the world at large. ... 1968: [Ralph Metzner](#) led a series of dialogues on ecology and*



*psychology at the Esalen San Francisco center. ...*

*1968: series of workshops and seminars, titled *The Value of Psychotic Experience*, designed to integrate and extend the theories of John Perry, R. D. Laing, Stanislav Grof, Fritz Perls, Kazimierz Dabrowski, and Julian Silverman. Alan Watts also gave a presentation called "Divine Madness" as part of this series. ...*

*1969: an interdisciplinary series on religion, supported in part by the National Council of Churches, began at Esalen's San Francisco office with a focus on grounding theological reflection and philosophy in human experience. Leaders included: Sam Keen, ... [John Cobb](#)...*

*1970: Moshe Feldenkrais, creator of the Feldenkrais method, held his first major training in the United States at Esalen. ...*

*1971: lecture by Alan Watts and Lynn White on the "Ecological Crisis" at the Esalen San Francisco center, a lecture which inaugurated a joint effort by Esalen and Friends of the Earth to develop a psycho-ecological approach to human problems. ...*

*1970-1971: a number of Esalen group leaders traveled to Arica, Chile to study with the Sufi teacher Oscar Ichazo. Key figures: Claudio Naranjo, John Lilly, Steven Stroud, Jack Downing. This eventually resulted in the proliferation of work on the Enneagram...*

*1971-1975: summer programs in Berkeley, co-sponsored with the Association of Transpersonal Psychology, on "Human Consciousness: Exploration, Maps, and Models." Core seminars taught by: John Lilly, ... Charles Tart, ... Stanislav Grof, Joan Halifax-Grof...*

*1973: formation of the Esalen Sports Center... Prominent faculty: Stewart Brand...*

*1973: San Francisco public conference on "Spiritual and Therapeutic Tyranny: The Willingness to Submit," designed to address cultish problems in human growth arenas. Panel included: ... Stewart Brand, ... Sam Keen, ... Michael Murphy, ...*

*1974: Esalen's San Francisco office launched a public series of introductory and in-depth seminars on various psychic abilities and phenomena, including presentations and seminars by ... Edgar Mitchell, Robert Monroe, Anne Armstrong, ... and Uri Geller. ...*

*1970s: As residents at Esalen, Stanislav and Christina Grof coordinated 28 month-long experiential and think-tank seminars that featured such guest faculty as: ... Karl Pribram, Fred Wolf, Gregory Bateson, ... John Lilly, Rupert Sheldrake, Elizabeth Kubler-Ross, Russell Targ, ... Michael Murphy, Dick Price, ... Humphrey Osmond, Tim Leary, Gordon Wasson, ... Charles Tart, ... Ralph Metzner, ... various Tibetan lamas and Indian spiritual teachers, native American and Mexican shamans, and Christian mystics. ...*

1976: month-long seminar for professionals and graduate students entitled "Holistic Medicine and Traditional Healing," [with] Dr. Stanislav Grof [and] John Lilly...

1976: Esalen and the Physics Consciousness Research Group of San Francisco conducted a month-long invited conference... Participants: Jack Sarfatti, Saul-Paul Sirag, Michael Murphy, Fred Alan Wolf...

1977: month-long seminar for professionals and graduate students on "Shamanism and the Mystic Quest," coordinated by Joan Halifax and featuring the following guest faculty: Joseph Campbell, ... Richard Price, Christine Price, ... Alexander Shulgin...

1982: sponsored a four-week interdisciplinary training program on "Paranormal Intelligence: Explorations of the Limits of Human Capacities." ... Leaders: Christina and Stanislav Grof, Fritjof Capra, Rupert Sheldrake, Russell Targ. ...

1981-1987: seven invitational conferences on "Psychic Research." Participants: Charles Tart, Russell Targ, ... Helmut Schmidt, ... Stephan Schwartz, ... Michael Murphy, ... As a result of the first meeting on Time and Psi, the Parapsychological Association held a symposium on the subject with many of the same participants, providing the nucleus for a ninety-minute BBC television program, "The Case of ESP!"...

1987: invitational conference for practicing intuitives to exchange information on personal methodologies such as somatic and visual psychic perception, remote viewing, shamanism, and out-of-body techniques. Participants: ... Anne Armstrong, ... Stephan Schwartz, ... Charles Tart...

1988: first of three conferences on "The Body and Spirituality," funded by Laurance Rockefeller's Fund for the Enhancement of the Human Spirit, convened by Don H. Johnson. ... 1989: second conference on "The Body and Spirituality" convened by Don Hanlon Johnson. Participants: ... [David Griffin](#) [David Ray Griffin], ...

1988-1995: seven conferences on "New Directions in Meditation Research," convened by Tom Hurley and co-sponsored by the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#). ...

1993-1998: conference series on "Direct Mental and Healing Interactions," which then became "Distant Mental Influences on Living Systems," convened by Marilyn Schlitz and co-sponsored with the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#). Participants: ... Dean Radin, ... Helmut Schmidt, Richard Wiseman, ... Elisabeth Targ, ...

1995: conference on "Sustainability Consciousness," designed to forge relationships between activists, journalists, scientists, artists, business people, and educators, to encourage ecological thinking, and to weave together issues of sustainability, spirituality, and systems theory. Participants: ...

Terence McKenna [and many others]...

1996: conference convened by Stanislav Grof and [David Ray Griffin](#) on the relationship between transpersonal theory and the process philosophy of Alfred N. Whitehead. Themes included: the relationship between matter and mind; the nature of causality and synchronicity; the nature of memory and experiential access to non-physical memories; the transpersonal dimensions of the human psyche; and the origins of psychopathology. Participants: [John B. Cobb](#), ... Christina Grof, Michael Murphy, Robert McDermott, Francis Vaughan, John Mack, ... John Buchanan, and Christopher Bache. ...

2001-2003: three annual conferences on Integral Capitalism and Governance, which addressed how to facilitate the emergence of a green paradigm in corporations and global regulations. Conference chairs: Jay Ogilvy and Amory Lovins. Participants: ... Christine von Weizacker...

2004: 6th annual gathering, focused on: preparations for the forthcoming book, *Irreducible Mind*; quantum physics in relationship to the survival hypothesis; the nature of the soul in subtle worlds; ... Participants: Michael Murphy, ... Charles Tart, Adam Crabtree, Jim Tucker, ... Dean Radin, Gary Schwartz, and Henry Stapp. [Murphy, Tart, Tucker also present in 2005-2012, except Tucker not listed in 2008]... 2008: 10th annual conference in this series, focused on: the contributions of Jean Gebser to the survival hypothesis; philosophical explanations of the evidence for paranormal phenomena; a critical engagement with David Ray Griffin's Whiteheadian ideas about the survival hypothesis...

2008: beginning of a four-year series of conferences led by Jeff Kripal on supernormal powers in popular culture. ... Significant participants: Michael Murphy, David Hufford, Dean Radin, Jacques Vallee, Russel Targ... [Dean Radin and Jacques Vallee are also present in 2009 and 2010; Russell Targ again in present in 2011, together with Stanislav Grof]..."

- ▶ 1973, *Psychic* magazine, p. 83 (Google books): "Esalen Institute at Big Sur presents a series of psychic & metaphysical workshops in February '74. Feb. 3-8: THE WORLD OF URI GELLER with Uri Geller, Andrija Puharich & Ira Einhorn."
- ▶ 1985, Stanislav Grof, 'Beyond the Brain: Birth, Death, and Transcendence in Psychotherapy', xvii: "Many of the pioneers of these new ways of thinking in science participated over the years as guest faculty members during the four-week experimental educational programs that my wife Christina and I have been conducting at the Esalen Institute, in Big Sur, California. In this context, I have been able to spend formal and informal time [with] Arthur Young, and many others."
- ▶ 2002, Jeffrey T. Richelson, 'The Wizards of Langley: Inside the

CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology', pp. 176-177: *"In June 1973, OTS chief John McMahon and Carl Duckett were briefed by Harold Puthoff and Russell Targ from the Stanford Research Institute (SRI). ... Four years earlier, Puthoff had experienced a number of personal and professional changes. Separation from his wife, a visit to the Esalen Institute, and boredom with teaching in Stanford's electrical engineering department had been followed by his moving over to SRI.... Puthoff joined SRI to assist with a laser-related project, but when funding dwindled, he sought permission from his boss and obtained \$10,000 ... to test for the existence of psychic abilities. Puthoff ... had been an active member of the Church of Scientology..."*

► Esalen's Russian connection (the related [State of the World Forum](#) is also key):

► 2004, Walter Truett Anderson, 'The Upstart Spring: Esalen and the Human Potential Movement', p. 306: *"[Michael] Murphy's Russian connection began in 1971, the year he made his first visit to that country. ... Officially, the purpose of this visit was to seek out and evaluate some of the research that had been reported in the popular 1970 book, Psychic Discoveries Behind the Iron Curtain. Actually, it was a lark. Sukie Miller had thought it up, and then Stuart Miller and Murphy got caught up in her excitement, and off they went. They spent two weeks in Moscow, meeting some of the psychics and scientists who had been mentioned in the book. ... Murphy and his friends did find impressive evidence of Russian interest in psychic research. They met Vladimir Raikov, a psychiatrist who was studying reincarnation, and Genady Sergeyev, a mathematician who was studying the relationship between brain waves and telepathy. In a hotel suite in Moscow, overlooking Red Square, they saw a demonstration of room-to-room telepathy between Russia's most famous team of psychics. The "receive" in this demonstration, Karl Nikolaiev, agreed to work with Murphy on an experiment in long-distance telepathy. After he returned to California, Murphy got Dr. Charles Tart, a psychologist at the University of California at Davis, to design it."*

► February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': *[60] Excerpts from "The Nine, channelled by Jenny O'Conner" at Henry Dakin's laboratory, 3118 Washington St., San Francisco, on Monday, July 30, 1979. Jim Hickman, Saul Paul Sirag, Roger Macdonald, Steve Donovan, Trevor Alston, Russell Rae and others participating: Saul Paul asks Jenny "Have you ever interacted with Jacques Vallee?" Jenny says, "We were supposed to. We met Hal*

*Puthoff. I met your friend." Dakin's transcript reads "discussion of Jack Sarfatti, and Jenny's meeting with him." The Nine then intervene speaking through Jenny "Main facilities Houston, Texas..."*

- ▶ February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': *"Jenny and The Nine [60] was promptly installed at Esalen for quite some time overlapping with visits by the late physicist Heinz Pagels, Congressman Charlie Rose, Ira Einhorn, and high ranking Russians from Georgy Arbatov's Moscow Institute of US and Canada, which was influential during Gorbachev's watch. Soviet Officials at Esalen in late 70's and early 80's: \* Valentin M. Berezhtkov [61]. \* Yuri A. Zamoshkin [62]. \* Andrey A. Kokoshin [63]. \* Henrikas Jushkevitchus [64]. \* Vladimir M. Kuznetsov. \* Victor M. Pogostin [65]. \* Vlail P. Kaznacheyev. \* Joseph Goldin [66]. This list is not complete. Vladimir Posner is an important fellow in all this according to Schwartz and Tinkerman. The fact remains, the iron post of observation that a bunch of apparently California New Age flakes into UFOs and psychic phenomena, 'including myself', had made their way into the highest levels of the American ruling class and the Soviet Union and today run the Gorbachev Foundation."*
- ▶ May 13, 1992, New York Times, 'Philanthropies Pledge to Help Gorbachev Build a Firm Foundation': *"Mikhail S. Gorbachev met yesterday in Manhattan with leaders of some of the nation's most richly endowed private foundations, enlisting their support in setting up his own American-style presidential library, with a goal of \$75 million in donations. "I found him to be exuberant and highly animated, just brimming with ideas," said David Rockefeller Jr., chairman of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, after the hourlong meeting, which was held at the Waldorf-Astoria. The foundations included those established by the Rockefeller, Carnegie, Mellon, Ford and Pew families -- well-endowed institutions with vast experience to offer the former Communist leader on the intricacies of managing the fruits of capitalism in the world of philanthropy. The foundations' representatives decided at the meeting to form a committee to help Mr. Gorbachev, and they discussed long-range endowment strategies. Mr. Gorbachev's plans include a global foundation as well as the library. Mr. Gorbachev's aides expressed confidence that they will realize \$3 million in start-up funds from his tour. No direct discussion of financial support came up at the meeting, but it was implicit, Mr. Rockefeller said. He also said Mr.*

Gorbachev's potential as a figure in the philanthropic realm was considerable, though dependent on how good an organization he eventually set up. "Speaking for myself and not the group," Mr. Rockefeller said, "the reason to consider support for Mr. Gorbachev is that he represents an extraordinary, indeed unique human resource with a perspective, resources and intellect which, unless he finds some institutional framework, will not likely be fully utilized." "He's being reborn," said James A. Garrison, the Gorbachev Foundation's executive director. "In terms of money, things have been going well," he said, with Mr. Gorbachev presenting no direct appeals for financing on the two-week American tour but making a "sensational" impression in private meetings with influential Americans. He said Mr. Gorbachev has met "10 or 12 individuals of high net worth in each city." The 40-year-old Mr. Garrison is an international entrepreneur from San Francisco whose resume seems a summary of the melange of pacific causes and global hopes that attracts crowds to Mr. Gorbachev's speeches. The son of missionaries to China, Mr. Garrison has degrees in religion and international politics from Harvard and Cambridge and executive experience with the Esalen Institute in Big Sur, the onetime home base of the human potential movement and spawning pond for global strategems, where he specialized in Russian issues and exchanges [ran the Esalen Institute's Soviet-American Exchange Program in the 1980s]. Yeltsin Trip Business dealings in Moscow led him to shepherd earlier visitors, like President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia, across America. Mr. Gorbachev's aides eventually sought him out as a specialist."

- February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': "Bob Toben drove Sharon and me down to Philadelphia. We stayed with my literary agent Ira Einhorn and his doomed girl friend Holly Maddux [13]. Ira took us to the mainline mansion of Arthur Young. Young was the inventor of the Bell Helicopter and was a close friend of Charles Lindbergh. Young's wife was an heiress of the Forbes Steel fortune. Young financed the Institute for the Study of Consciousness in Berkeley California. He invited me to stay there. Einhorn told me he would introduce me to Stewart Brand, Michael Murphy [14] and George Leonard [15] when I got to San Francisco. He was very concerned about what he called "Soviet breakthroughs in psychotronic weapons of mind control at a distance using ELF and sound waves." He said he had support from the local telephone company and from the Bronfman [16] in Toronto to link up visionary scientists like myself. He also said he was

working with Jacques Vallee [17] and Brendan O Regan on a UFO data base. Ira mentioned that he was working with Congressman Charlie Rose (D. North Carolina) of the House Select Committee on Intelligence [18]. Rose confirmed his connection to Einhorn in a telephone conversation with me. Werner was as good as his word and promptly had his EST Foundation write me an initial \$5,000 check (Autumn 1974). Einhorn did his job as my literary agent and arranged a meeting at Arthur Young's Institute in Berkeley that included Michael Murphy, Hazel Henderson [19] and another physicist, Saul Paul Sirag [20], who was Barbara Honegger's [21] lover. Werner gave me free run of his organization which I found rather odd. The estoids all seemed to be glassy-eyed and very creepy [22]. One in particular, Raz Ingrassi, talked about Werner as if he were God-incarnate. One day Raz said he would jump out of a high window if Werner ordered him to. One day I noticed a table with a sign that said "Bulgarian Desk" [23]. There were a lot of pretty young women who were easily available since I was known as one of Werner's special friends -- a Prince of the Court. Werner was always very warm with me and invited me to many dinners both at Franklin House and at expensive restaurants. He never carried any money or credit cards. We were always escorted (in a Mercedes) by a security team, who also paid all the bills. A former student of physicist John Wheeler [24], Robert Fuller was head of Werner's Foundation. Fuller had been President of Oberlin College but had suffered a mid-life crisis and had fallen under Werner's influence. Fuller now heads the World Watch Institute in Washington. Fuller [25] was jealous of Werner's fondness for me and that this was a factor precipitating my falling out with Werner. I was worried about the crypto-Nazi feel of the est-org, but I had hoped that Werner would get his intellectual act together and say something of genuine interest in terms of physics and philosophy. I was not at all subservient to Werner in his presence like most of the academics that surrounded and apparently adored him. Some of them called him the "new Heidegger" [26]. Professor Irwin Corey [27] made more sense. There was a lot of talk of Werner running for President one day. Werner said he would appoint me to be head of the National Science Foundation. Werner's brother Nathan Rosenberg was in the Navy as an aide to President Carter's Secretary of Defense Harold Brown [28]. Kevin Garvey [29] told me that Werner had fifteen loyal estoids in the Carter White House. Werner was very active with the training of government people in Washington D.C. Carter [30] had created Project Scanate [31] for remote-viewing of military targets by psychics. Werner used remote-viewing in his training, and he also contributed money to SRI for that project. Sidney was a close friend of the late Bishop Pike.



Werner [Erhard] had me meet with several Stanford and U.C. faculty before he set up the Physics Consciousness Research Group at Esalen with me and Michael Murphy as co-directors. Michael arranged for Jean Lanier to supply me with money. Jean was a close friend of Laurance Rockefeller who would telephone the Nob Hill flat looking for her. I attended the EST April Celebrity Training of 1975. The list of trainees included Ellie Coppola, Sterling Hayden [35], Michael Murphy, Buzz Aldrin [36], Ted Ashley [37], the late Jerry Rubin [38], Fred Wolf, Saul Paul Sirag and many others. Sterling Hayden quickly walked out calling Werner a "Nazi" as he pushed away some estoids who tried to block his passage... I was getting suspicious of Werner, especially after I heard the rumor that he said he changed his name from Jack Rosenberg to Werner Erhard to "give up Jewish weakness for German strength." I received a phone call from a man named George Koopman during one of our Esalen seminars in 1976... He provided money through military contracts with the Air Force and the U.S. Army Tank Command funneled through his company Insgroup in Irvine, California... I found out through one of my girlfriends that Koopman succeeded in spying on the Arica organization... Arica was started in Chile by high ranking fugitives from the Third Reich who were masters of the occult. Many of the regulars at Esalen including some of our group like Dr. John Lilly and Claudio Naranjo had been in the first Arica training in Chile. Timothy Leary was released from prison. Leary became part of my group at Esalen. Leary was a close friend of Michael Murphy... My adventures with two more women during this period are worth mentioning... One named Crystal picked me up in the Caffè Trieste. She was a statuesque blonde in a low cut green evening dress. Crystal said she belonged to a Coven of Beautiful Witches who wanted me to be their Warlock. I later found out that Crystal knew another girl friend of mine from Esalen named Betty Andreason. I have since heard of a woman by that name who claims to have been abducted by UFOs... Was Jan telling the truth about the Fourth Reich using Arica to influence the New Age? Brewer was part of the original Esalen group of forty that went to Chile for the first Arica training."

- [esalen.org/sites/default/files/resource\\_attachments/esalen-fact-sheet.pdf](http://esalen.org/sites/default/files/resource_attachments/esalen-fact-sheet.pdf) (accessed: March 20, 2016): "Notable Leaders/Teachers: Buckminster Fuller, Joseph Campbell, Carlos Castaneda, Richard Alpert (Ram Das), Carl Rogers, Fritz Perls, George Leonard, Marion Woodman, Joan Baez. ... 1960: Abraham Maslow forms Humanistic and Transpersonal Psychology. Fritz Perls forms Gestalt Therapy at Esalen... 1964: Ida Rolf creates Structural Integration/Rolfing at Esalen Institute. 1976: Connections between consciousness and quantum physics made at Esalen with Fritjof Capra and Nick

Herbert. 70's & 80's: Complementary Medicine and Humanistic Medicine developed and legitimized by Sukie Miller and Wayne Jones, leading to the first federal legislation on Humanistic Medicine. 1980s: Soviet/American relations improved during cold war through spacebridge cosmonaut/astronaut program and Boris Yeltsin visit. ... 1993: Field of Ecopsychology created through a series of Esalen conferences by Theodore Roszak... 2000's: International Abrahamic Network founded in response to the rise of global fundamentalism and terrorism. ... Well-known musicians who have performed at Esalen: Crosby Stills Nash & Young, Simon and Garfunkle, Joan Baez, Judy Collins, Joni Mitchell, Bob Dylan, Bonnie Raitt, George Harrison..."

- ▶ November 19, 2015, [journal.burningman.com](http://journal.burningman.com), 'Burning Man Takes a Look Inside': *"Megan Miller is the director of communications for Burning Man. She is bright and engaging, and she tells us that she first came to Esalen at the age of three with her mom... Larry Harvey and Michael Murphy are sitting on stage in that same cliff-topping tent near the end of Esalen's property where we were welcomed to the four-day summit. Stuart Mangrum is up there too, moderating the exchange between one of Burning Man's founders [Larry Harvey] and the co-founder of Esalen [Michael Murphy]. ... [Murphy] tells us how Hunter S. Thompson would spray the rocky cliffs with gunfire to chase out would-be squatters. The father of gonzo journalism had come to Esalen seeking enlightenment, or maybe just a quiet place to write, and he talked his way into being hired as a groundskeeper. But he took his responsibilities way more serious than was appreciated, and he was soon asked to leave. (Thompson would make a return trip to Esalen in '97 ... but now Thompson found the silence oppressive, and he fled the same night...) ... Dick Nixon targeted the place for dirty tricks, like the time his henchmen tried to convince the press that Charles Manson had hatched his murderous plans for Sharon Tate while on retreat here. (For the record, Manson never stayed at Esalen). ... Murphy and Esalen prevailed, though, much as Burning Man has overcome the challenges..."*

### **Institute for Cooperation in Space (ICIS)**

- ▶ ICIS consists of a group of new age scam artists linked to [Coast to Coast AM](#). ICIS has received financing from the Tides/Threshold Foundation, with members, especially Daniel Sheehan, through his [Romero Institute](#), having received separate financing from Tides and related foundations as those of the Rockefellers.
- ▶ Director of the Institutse for Cooperation in Space (ICIS)

Peaceinspace.com/about.htm (Feb. 4, 2002): *"(Partial Board List)1/26/02 ... President/Chair of the Board Dr. Carol Rosin [Disclosure Project] ... Director and General Counsel Daniel Sheehan [Disclosure Project], JD ... Director and Secretary-Treasurer Alfred Lambremont Webre [Disclosure Project], JD, MEd ... Advisory Board Chairman – Astronaut Dr. Edgar Dean Mitchell, Sc.D. ... Honorary Board Chair - Sir Arthur C. Clarke..."*

- ▶ [peaceinspace.com/ab\\_board.shtml](http://peaceinspace.com/ab_board.shtml) (June 7, 2007): *"[also:] Brian O'Leary, Director of New Energy..."*
- ▶ 2003 annual report, Threshold Foundation (part of the Soros/Rockefeller-allied Tides Foundation), p. 17: *"Institute for Cooperation in Space (ICIS)/Center for Psychology And Social Change seeks to transform the war industry into a world-cooperative civil, commercial, entrepreneurial, and military space program. ICIS's initial objective is to ban space-based weaponry. This ban will awaken consciousness and stimulate a peace economy with a new marketplace of jobs and profits based on research and development of clean and safe technology, products, and services applied to solving urgent human, energy, sustainable development and environmental problems, and build a global security system using space technology to enhance world communication and information exchanges on all issues with respect to sacred life. \$6,268 - general support. PO Box 398080, Cambridge, MA 02139."*

### **Institute of Noetic Sciences (IONS)**

- ▶ See [Coast to Coast AM biography of Edgar Mitchell](#) for details on IONS, which consists of a group of new age scam artists. IONS has received financing from the Tides/Threshold Foundation. Advisory board members have also included Rockefeller-Rothschild sustainable development elitists as Maurice Strong and Desmond Tutu. Deepak Chopra and Amit Goswami are other famous names who have sat on the advisory board. Anno 2013 Soros flunky Van Jones was a fellow of IONS. Like the Christic Institute/Romero Institute, IONS appears to be involved in creating all kinds of false religions and beliefs.
- ▶ [noetic.org/about/board.cfm](http://noetic.org/about/board.cfm) (June 12, 2010): *"BOARD OF DIRECTORS ... Edgar D. Mitchell - Founder. ... INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD: ... Deepak Chopra. Amit Goswami... Michael Murphy [founder of the [Esalen institute](#)]. Dean Ornish. ... [Maurice Strong](#). Most Reverend Desmond Tutu. IONS FELLOWS: ... Van Jones. James O'Dea. Rupert Sheldrake. Charles Tart. .... GUIDING DIRECTORS: .... Willis W. Harman [also of the [Foundation for Gaia and SRI](#)], President Emeritus, 1975-1996."*

- ▶ [noetic.org/directory/group/distinguished-advisors](http://noetic.org/directory/group/distinguished-advisors) (August 15, 2014): *"Distinguished Advisors [33 people listed]: ... Deepak Chopra, MD ... Amit Goswami ... Dean Ornish, MD ... Maurice Strong ... Russell Targ ... Most Reverend Desmond Tutu... [Rupert Sheldrake, PhD listed under fellows]..."*
- ▶ IONS' Brendan O'Regan:
  - ▶ [noetic.org/directory/person/brendan-oregan](http://noetic.org/directory/person/brendan-oregan) (accessed: March 17, 2016): *"Brendan O'Regan was the first Director of Research at the Institute of Noetic Sciences. where he worked from 1975 until his death in 1992. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry from the National University of Ireland and a Master of Science degree in neurochemistry from Indiana University. Prior to joining the Institute of Noetic Sciences, he served as Research Coordinator for R. Buckminster Fuller, research consultant to Stanford Research Institute's Center for the Study of Social Policy, and consultant for BBC Television. He was appointed by the Fetzer Institute [took over financing of the Lindisfarne Association from Laurance Rockefeller in the 1990s] as a Fetzer Fellow to assist guidance of their scientific, medical and educational programs. He was a member of the Commonwealth Clinic Advisory Board. His first major research grant through the Institute of Noetic Sciences was to O. Carl Simonton and Stephanie Simonton for their early unorthodox treatment of cancer through the use of inner imagery..."*
  - ▶ February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti (bizarre [Coast to Coast AM](#)-invited individual) in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': *"Bob Toben drove Sharon and me down to Philadelphia. We stayed with my literary agent Ira Einhorn and his doomed girl friend Holly Maddux [13]. Ira took us to the mainline mansion of Arthur Young. Young was the inventor of the Bell Helicopter and was a close friend of Charles Lindbergh. Young's wife was an heiress of the Forbes Steel fortune. Young financed the Institute for the Study of Consciousness in Berkeley California. He invited me to stay there. Einhorn told me he would introduce me to Stewart Brand, Michael Murphy [14] and George Leonard [15] when I got to San Francisco. He was very concerned about what he called "Soviet breakthroughs in psychotronic weapons of mind control at a distance using ELF and sound waves." He said he had support from the local telephone company and from the Bronfman [16] in Toronto to link up visionary scientists like myself. He also said he was working with Jacques Vallee [17] and Brendan O'Regan on a UFO data base. Ira mentioned that he was working with Congressman*

Charlie Rose (D. North Carolina) of the House Select Committee on Intelligence [18]. Rose confirmed his connection to Einhorn in a telephone conversation with me. ... Ira spent weeks at Esalen after he was indicted for the murder of Holly Maddux. Senator Arlen Specter was his defense attorney and one of the Bronfmans from Toronto allegedly paid his legal fees. ... [8] I recall meeting Einhorn and Puharich in London when I stayed with Brendan O Regan at Joyce Petchek's palatial mansion which had its own olympic-sized swimming pool in the basement. Joyce was a Jewish American Princess who "channeled" an ancient Egyptian Princess. I may have angered her when it became obvious I was more interested in her erotic body than her auric body during her private seance with me. I felt like Groucho Marx in 'Animal Crackers'. Joyce, Brendan and I made a pilgrimage to Paris to see Carlo Soares in the spring of 1974. ... [21] Honegger worked with Jim Hickman [aide to Esalen head Michael Murphy], Michael Murphy and Brendan O Regan. Barbara told me of a strange encounter with Brendan O Regan in which trance medium Ingo Swann spoke with a cold metallic voice and said that it was a computer from a hundred years into the future. She actually was doing some interesting work in synchronicity. Barbara sued Stanford Professor Karl Pribram in an assault case and won. She went to work for Martin Anderson at the Hoover Institute and followed Anderson to Reagan's white House in 1981. I warned Lawry Chickering that Barbara was a loose cannon. Sure enough she quit the White House saying that the Reaganites were unfair to women. She has accused the Reagan team of the "October Surprise." Barbara says that Bill Casey arranged that the American hostages in Iran not be released until Reagan was elected. Stephen Schwartz says Barbara is lying. Knowing Barbara I do not think she is consciously lying, but, perhaps has been misled. She is quite idealistic, but naive."

- May 17, 1996, Dr. Victor J. Stenger of the University of Hawaii (with Jack Sarfatti), 'Quantum Quackery', 7th revised draft version (words of Jack Sarfatti): "I was then simply a young, inexperienced, naive 'useful idiot' in a very very sophisticated and successful covert psychological warfare operation ran by the late Brendan O. Regan of the Institute of Noetic Sciences and the late Harold Chipman, who was the CIA station chief responsible for all mind-control research in the Bay Area in the 70s. Chipman (aka 'Orwell') funded me covertly before that, and told me much of the story. In fact, he even introduced me to a beautiful woman adventurer-

*agent who was one of his RV subjects who later became my live-in 'significant other.'"*

## Lindisfarne Association

- ▶ In existence from 1972 to 2012. Consisted a group of intellectuals of diverse interests organized by cultural historian William Irwin Thompson for the *"study and realization of a new planetary culture"*. It was inspired by the philosophy of Alfred North Whitehead's idea of an integral philosophy of organism, and by Teilhard de Chardin's idea of planetization.
- ▶ The association served as the Colorado branch of the [Esalen Institute](#), also offering classes, conferences, and concerts and public lectures events, but on a smaller scale.
- ▶ Set up with financial help of Sydney and Jean Lanier, close friends of Laurance Rockefeller and deeply involved in the Esalen Institute. Laurance Rockefeller soon also funded the association, which he continued to do until the 1990s. In 1979 the association moved to the Rockefeller-funded and [Esalen Institute](#)-allied Crestone Mountain Zen Center in Colorado. Maurice Strong was also deeply involved in the founding of the association.
  - ▶ 1996, William Irwin Thompson (Lindisfarne Association founder), 'The Time Falling Bodies Take To Light: Mythology, Sexuality and the Origin', xxi: *"Laurance Rockefeller came to one of my public lectures at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York, and thanks to his support I was able to continue my work with the Lindisfarne Association in Southampton on Long Island and to continue a postacademic life in what was then called the alternative movement."* Later moved to Crestone, Colorado.
  - ▶ [williamirwinthompsonblog .wordpress.com/the-lindisfarne-fellows-1975-2012/](http://williamirwinthompsonblog.wordpress.com/the-lindisfarne-fellows-1975-2012/) (accessed: May 1, 2021): *"The Lindisfarne Fellows (1975-2012) was a voluntary informal association of individuals who were interested in the study and realization of a new planetary culture. The Fellows came from all faiths, theistic and atheistic... [Photo:] Nancy Todd, John Todd, Stewart Brand... 1979 Conference, in Crestone, Co. ... [Photo:] WIT [blog owner], John Todd, Jack Dempsey, Mountain Guide, and Maurice Strong choosing the land for Lindisfarne in 1979. ... The Roster of the Lindisfarne Fellowship in 2012: ... William Irwin Thompson, Author & Founder of the Lindisfarne Association. ... Maurice Strong ... Robert Thurman ... Stewart Brand ... Pir Zia Inayat-Khan ...*

*Dorion Sagan [son of Carl Sagan] Stuart Kauffman ... Robert McDermott ... David Orr..."*

- ▶ 2012, Marion Goldman, 'The American Soul Rush: Esalen and the Rise of Spiritual Privilege', pp. 143-147: *"John Templeton, who developed global mutual funds, and Laurance Rockefeller, an heir to one of America's great fortunes, promoted inclusive religiosity and spiritual innovation through their extensive philanthropy. Rockefeller and his Fund for the Enhancement of Human Spirit supplied vital resources for the Institute and projects directly related to it, while Templeton supported different venues, although he occasionally funded specific projects and individuals associated with Esalen. Laurance Rockefeller once informed Michael that there were three living Americans who might be able to transform American culture: the comedian Woody Allen, California governor Jerry Brown, a longstanding friend of the Institute, and Michael himself (Kripal 2007a:421). From the early 1970s until his death, in 2004, Rockefeller donated millions of dollars to Esalen and three related organizations that promote inclusive spirituality and synthesize Asian and Western traditions: the San Francisco Zen Center, the Lindisfarne Association, and the California Institute for Integral Studies. Because of his mother's interest in Zen Buddhism, Rockefeller, an exemplar of spiritual privilege, explored religion and philosophy as a teenager. His curiosity about alternative spirituality and transcendent experience expanded after he became an undergraduate philosophy major at Princeton (Winks and Babitt 1997:52). Throughout his life, Rockefeller supported endeavors that he believed could reconcile science with the supernatural and demonstrate that God is an ephemeral, albeit powerful essence that permeates all human existence (Kaufman 2004; Stark 2001:99-113). Investments in profitable start-ups like Eastern Airlines, Intel, and Apple helped Rockefeller multiply his inheritance and made him a billionaire (Kaufman 2004). He was a high-profile advocate for environmentalism and wilderness preservation and donated hundreds of millions of dollars for conservation and environmental research (Winks and Babitt 1997). However, Rockefeller usually downplayed his controversial financial gifts to projects involving alternative spirituality. For example, he rarely discussed his substantial grants in support of Harvard professor John E. Mack's research on earthlings' encounters with interplanetary aliens or the money that he later supplied for Mack's legal defense against allegations of professional misconduct. Several years*



before Mack received his first Rockefeller grants, he attended a small invitational symposium in Bug Sur that Michael organized in 1987 (Grof 2003). While he never entered the Institute's inner circle, Mack continued to participate in Esalen's loose social networks, and some of those contacts helped him tap Rockefeller's largesse, just as casual social connections that at the Institute have helped many other spiritual entrepreneurs. However, good friends, rather than acquaintances, introduced Michael to Rockefeller in the 1960s, and Michael soon became the billionaire's trusted adviser for different projects to advance personal and spiritual potential. Rockefeller donated millions of dollars to Esalen for renovations and new buildings, invitational conferences, and Michael's book about extraordinary human functionin, *The Future of the Body* (Murphy 1992:xii). With Rockefeller's support, Michael transferred his personal archive of more than ten thousand documents and case histories about extraordinary human abilities to the Stanford Medical School Library, unintentionally carrying forward Thomas Welton Stanford's early vision of elite universities as sites for research and teaching about the supernatural. Rockefeller also gave millions of dollars to the San Francisco Zen Center from 1971 through 1984, during the years when Richard Baker, one of Michael's closest friends, served as abbot. In the late 1960s, Baker became a nationally known figure when he spearheaded fund-raising for the first American Zen training monastery at Tassajara, another inland hot-springs retreat just over the Santa Lucia Mountains that backed the Institute (Downing 2001:104-107). A few years later, after Baker became abbot in charge of the San Francisco Center and Tassajara, Rockefeller provided money for the Zen Center to buy Green Gulch Farm [organic farming] on a beautiful site twenty miles north of San Francisco. ... During the 1970s, the Zen Center's Bay Area business empire expanded to include an organic produce market, partially stocked by Green Gulch; the alaya Stitchery, which made and sold futons and natural-fiber clothing; a small bookstore; a bakery; and an award-winning vegetarian restaurant that overlooked San Francisco Bay (Downing 2001:32). All but one business closed within a decae... Baker's startups were less about making money than increasing public awareness and democratizing access to Zen (Tipton 1982). Therefore, publicity and fund-raising marked the auspicious beginning of each new venture. Early in 1967, for example, San Francisco's Avalon Ballroom was the site of a huge benefit where the Grateful Dead and Janis

*Joplin raised money for the Tassajara monastery and retreat center (Downing 2001:107). ... Rockefeller's largesse soon eclipsed the sum of all of their [Xerox founder, CEO of Fidelity Mutual Investment and a "well-connected, wealthy East Coast socialite"] generosity. ... During the 1970s and early 1980s, Baker and Michael traveled together to the Netherlands and the Soviet Union... By everyone [who Price and Baker gathered], Michael meant people like California governor Jerry Brown... Rank-and-file Zen Center students never joined their lively conversations... Unless people were very talented or wealthy, they never became part of Baker' or Michael's inner circles, and they rarely met Rockefeller or other major donors. Long after Zen students had forced Richard Baker out because of his various transgressions, including his love of luxuries, Michael defended his friend. ... Baker left the Bay Area in 1984 [and soon] moved to Colorado as founding abbot of Crestone Mountain Zen Center, an isolated retreat high in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains (Downing 2001:286, 341). At Crestone, Baker continued to spread the message of maximizing human and spiritual possibilities, and he still maintained his close ties to Michael at Esalen. Laurance Rockefeller funded Crestone Mountain Zen Center through the Lindisfarne Foundation, a non-profit organization that began in 1972 with the purpose of investigating the spiritual foundations that are shared by all religions. Esalen inspired its founder, William Thompon, a former MIT professor... Another wealthy Zen Center supporter had introduced Thompson to Rockefeller and the billionaire provided Lindisfarne with significant donations from the 1970s through the 1990s. ... Since Rockefeller stepped back, the Fetzer Institute, founded by a Michigan media entrepreneur, provides most of Lindisfarne's funding."*

► Association goals according to the website:

- The Planetization of the Esoteric.
- The realization of the inner harmony of all the great universal religions and the spiritual traditions of the tribal peoples of the world.
- The fostering of a new and healthier balance between nature and culture through the research and development of appropriate technologies, architectural settlements and compassionate economies for meta-industrial villages and convivial cities.
- The illumination of the spiritual foundations of political governance through scholarship and artistic communications that foster a global ecology of consciousness beyond the present ideological systems of

warring industrial nation-states, outraged traditional societies, and ravaged lands and seas.

► Past members/fellows:

- **Robert Thurman:** Well-connected Buddhist and father of actress Uma Thurman.
- **Maurice Strong:** key globalist.
- **Gregory Bateson:** Psychedelics pioneer. Involved in the Macy Conferences and [Esalen Institute](#).
- **Mary Catherine Bateson.**
- **Biologist Stuart Kauffman.**
- **Biologist Lynn Margulis:** Married to Carl Sagan. Later claimed HIV doesn't cause AIDS and became a member of [Richard Gage](#)'s Architects & Engineers for 9/11 Truth.
- **Dorion Sagan:** Son of Carl Sagan and Lynn Margulis.
- **Michael Murphy:** [Esalen Institute](#) founder.

### Manitou Foundation, Baca Ranch, San Luis Valley

- Set up by Maurice Strong and Laurance Rockefeller in 1988. Part of their Baca Ranch, Crestone new age network.
- [manitou.org/MI/mhcp.php](#) (August 30, 2014): *"The histories of Crestone, the Baca Grande and Manitou Institute have intertwined and taken many turns over the years ... In the late 1970's Maurice Strong and partners acquired the Baca Ranch and the Baca Grande development. ... In the mid 1990's, Manitou and specialists of The Conservation Fund, with generous support of Laurance Rockefeller and the Jackson Hole Preserve, devoted several years to extensive studies of Manitou's mountain properties, culminating in the creation of the Manitou Habitat Conservation Plan (MHCP)."*
- [ibavi.org/content/hanne-strong](#) (International Beliefs and Values Institute; words of board member Hanne Strong) (August 30, 2014): *"As the President of the Manitou Foundation (land granting organization), established in 1988, and the Manitou Institute (environmental stewardship), formed in 1994, Hanne Strong has established the largest intentional, interfaith, and ecumenical retreat center and sustainable teaching community in North America. Mrs. Strong has granted over 2000 acres of land to various spiritual, educational, and environmental groups. Through the Manitou Foundation's land grant program, the Baca/Crestone community now houses many of the world's spiritual traditions... Groups include: Spiritual Life Institute (a Carmelite monastic community), Crestone Mountain Zen Center, Haidakhandi Universal Ashram, the San Luis Valley Tibetan Project, Samten Ling Retreat Center, Yeshe Khorlo, Vajra Vidya Retreat Center and Tibetan Archives Library, Ligmincha (from the Bon tradition), White Elephant*

*Monastery (Taoist), Shinji Shumekai of America (Shinto), Lindesfarne Dome (Celtic), Sanctuary House (Sufi), White Jewel Mountain Tibetan Buddhist Cremation Stupa and Nunnery, Dharma Ocean Foundation, and Sacred Passages Reconnecting with Nature and Sage House (Native American). Education and environmental organizations include: Colorado College, Naropa University, Sri Aurobindo Learning Center, EDUCO, Earth Origin Seeds Project, Earth Restoration Corps, Crestone Healing Arts Center, and Sacred Passages."*

- ▶ Why put up such a retreat in the middle of nowhere? Apparently because Hanne Strong in particular believes that world cataclysms are coming and clearly has the idea that her Baca Ranch spiritual center can be the foundation for a new world religion:

- ▶ 2011, Alex Prud'Homme, 'The Ripple Effect: The Fate of Freshwater in the Twenty-First Century', pp. 145-146: *"One evening in 1978, a gray-bearded shaman appeared at Hanne Strong's door at Baca Ranch and introduced himself as Glenn Anderson. "I've been waiting for you," he said. "I predicted in the sixties that a foreigner would come here and build an international religious center. What took you so long?" ... After hearing Glenn Anderson's prophecy, Hanne decided to turn Baca Ranch into an interfaith religious sanctuary. According to accounts she has given reporters, Hanne believes that a new Dark Age is coming, and that thanks to environmental degradation the earth's population will shrink to about 400 million. To prepare for the coming apocalypse, she decided to build a seed bank in her basement and turn San Luis Valley, which she calls a "birthplace of ancient souls," into a repository of world knowledge. In 1998, Hanne established the Manitou Foundation, which funds various religious orders."*

- ▶ August 20, 1989, Los Angeles Times, 'Strong Couple : 'Mystical' and 'Manifester' Team Up': *"When Maurice Strong first came to the Baca in 1978 after acquiring an interest in AZL Resources, which owned it, he knew he wanted to save it from routine development. "We were attracted by the qualities that make it so special now--the beauty, the space, the fact that it's not a ski resort," he said. Strong does want to develop the water, however. He and a group of investors are embroiled in a heated dispute with valley water users over the investors' claim to what they say is a huge, untapped aquifer. Valley residents are skeptical of Strong's claim that the valley would benefit if his company sold the water to outside cities. Hanne Strong's interests are closer to the Baca. She says she and Maurice complement each other. "I'm the mystical one," she said. "He's the manifestor. He gets*

*things done." She was born Hanne Marstrand in Copenhagen in 1941. Her father ran a fleet of salmon ships, and both her parents were active in the Resistance to the Nazis, she said. A Lutheran raised as a Roman Catholic, Hanne said she had mystical experiences early on, including seeing angels. "I knew from a very young age that I wasn't Danish, that I was Indian," she said. "And I knew that one day I would be with my people." After studying industrial and interior design in Denmark, she moved to New York City in her early 20s and set up a design firm. In 1972, Hanne left her business and moved to Nairobi, where she had been hired to design Kenya's United Nations headquarters. There she met Maurice Strong. The couple moved to Calgary, Alberta, in 1972, where Hanne became involved in Indian political issues. When she first came to the Baca, she says, "I knew I was home." Hanne believes she and the Baca are creatures of both luck and destiny. "I like luck--I feel I've got a lot of it," she said, "but far greater forces are at work, and I know it will happen. It was meant to be. We're just tools, and we have to perfect ourselves.""*

- The Baha'i faith is an ideal method to integrate various religions. For those that don't know, the Baha'i faith has at its central mission the integration of all world religions under the central authority of the United Nations. Maurice and Anne both have a background at the United Nations. Only [Steven Greer](#) has openly described himself as belonging to the Baha'i faith, and coincidentally, he was active at the Baca Ranch in the mid-1990s with his early CSETI program, a method to try and draw in UFOs with high-powered lasers, an anomalous sound recorded in a crop circle (almost certainly bogus, because it is of Colin Andrews), and group meditation. It was partly funded by Laurance Rockefeller. Details:

- Christopher O'Brien's San Luis Valley event logs: "199. Fri November 5, 1993 8:30 pm - 9:00 pm MA1 Dr. Steven Greer, Sherri Adamialk and Marc Barrish see formation of lights 4 miles south of Fairplay, CO. Lights form into geometric shapes, perform non-ballistic movements. Park County (CSETI/O'Brien) ... 200. \*Sun November 7, 1993, 1:45 am (7 before NM) CE1 2 witnesses see 12' craft 35 feet off Road T. A 3rd witness also sees a smaller orb. Duration 4-5 seconds. Saguache County (CSETI/O'Brien) ... 254. Thur May 5, 1994 at 8:00 am, Baca Grande Development MA1 ( ) While in the Baca to conduct a CSETI training session, Dr. Steven Greer observed "a bright silver sphere" hovering over the Sangres while jogging. The object did not leave a vapor trail. The object hovered silently for "several minutes" before heading east over the mountains. Saguache County

*(Greer/O'Brien) ... 417. \*Sun June 16, 1996 at 2:00 am Baca Grande Grants MA1 ( ) CSETI has sightings out over Valley Saguache County (O'Brien) ... 418. 4:00 am Baca Chalets CSETI has sightings during training session. Saguache County (CSETI) ... 419. 2:45 am Baca Grants CSETI has sightings during training session. Saguache County (CSETI) ... 553. Baca Grande Development UNCONFIRMED Saguache County (CSETI) CSETI training group may have experienced [an] anomalous event(s). ... 558. Wed June 10, 1998 at 10:20 pm Road T, across from Baca Ranch, Crestone Saguache County (ISUR) AN1 ... Light was CSETI's Laser being used during a training session."*

### **NXIVM sex cult network**

- ▶ NXIVM was founded in 1998 as Executive Success Programs (ESP) by Keith Raniere. It operated not unlike Scientology by charging enormous amounts of money for very questionable material, all of it based on the idea that Raniere supposedly is the highest IQ person in the world. Already due to a 2003 Forbes magazine expose, it should have been clear that Raniere was a very manipulative and malevolent character. By 2017 it became clear that NXIVM contained an inner core where female sex slaves were branded and strange mind research / mind control research was taking place.
- ▶ The most bizarre aspect of NXIVM and its sister group, the Ethical Humanitarian Foundation, is its superclass ties and support: key leaders of NXIVM and founders of the Ethical Humanitarian Foundation alongside Raniere were Sara and Clare Bronfman, two daughters of Edgar Bronfman, Sr. (who rebelled against the group in 2003) These daughters have provided an estimated \$150 million to Raniere, mainly to bail out his failed investments.

In addition, Richard Branson has been closely tied to the cult (reported did a course, openly endorsed the organization, allowed the group twice on his Necker Island, but after the controversy exploded, denied knowing anything about NXIVM or Raniere.). A sister of [Arianny Huffington](#), another important George Soros ally, was involved. Pamela Cafritz was closely tied to cult leader Keith Raniere. Her parents, Bill and Buffy Cafritz, have organized very elite parties where the participants included superclass members George Soros, the Clintons, Vernon Jordan, James Wolfensohn and Michael Bloomberg. Enron CEO Stephen Cooper, who has been working for Edgar Bronfman, Jr. since 2011, was involved in NXIVM. So was the wife of the key Black Entertainment Television (BET) founder - a participant of the Sun Valley

Meetings with Edgar Bronfman, Jr. and various Bilderberg and Trilateral Commission elites, not to mention all of Hollywood. Just as bizarre, the son of former Mexican president Miguel de la Madrid, the son of former Mexican president Carlos Salinas, the daughter of Mexican president Vicente Fox (Clinton Global Initiative) and the sister of PEMEX CEO, World Bank employee and Mexican finance minister since Nov. 2017 Jose Antonio Gonzalez Anaya, all have been involved with Raniere and NXIVM. Salinas' son actually heads up the Mexican section of NXIVM. Quite possibly not a coincidence, in ISGP's article [A History of CIA Drug Trafficking](#), Miguel de la Madrid and Carlos Salinas both are mentioned as reported insiders to CIA cocaine trafficking from South America into the United States, with additional reports existing that Mexico's state oil company, PEMEX, was infiltrated by the same CIA clique (surrounding George H. W. Bush and Ted Shackley) that has been overseeing CIA drug trafficking.

- ▶ When we look deeper at participants in NXIVM's sister group Ethical Humanitarian Foundation, we really have to conclude that this entire network consists/consisted of "liberal CIA" assets.

▶ Articles on NXIVM:

- ▶ October 13, 2003, Forbes, 'The Bronfmans And the Cult': *"Himself a former Raniere client, Bronfman Sr. had turned on Raniere, labeling the coaching program a "cult."*

- ▶ October 13, 2003, Forbes, 'Cult of Personality': *"Keith Raniere's devoted followers say he is one of the smartest and most ethical people alive. ... Prompted by a potent word-of-mouth network, they include Sheila Johnson [husband Robert is a Sun Valley Meeting visitor], cofounder of Black Entertainment Television; Antonia C. Novello, a former U.S. surgeon general; Stephen Cooper, acting chief executive of Enron [Wharton; interim CEO Enron; vice chair and co-CEO of MGM; CEO of Warner Music Group 2011-, replacing Edgar Bronfman, Jr., who then became chairman]; the Seagram fortune's Edgar Bronfman Sr. and two of his daughters; and Ana Cristina Fox, daughter of the Mexican president [Vicente Fox, a Clinton Global Initiative participant]. Raniere's disciples say his methods sharpen their focus and give them keener insight into the motivations of others. "It's like a practical M.B.A.," says one follower, Emiliano Salinas, son of a former president of Mexico [reputed CIA drug trafficking insider Carlos Salinas]. ...*

*"I think it's a cult," says Bronfman. Though he once took a course and endorsed the program, he hasn't talked to his daughters in months and has grown troubled over the long hours and emotional and financial investment they have been devoting to Raniere's group. One daughter, Clare [Bronfman], 24, has lent the program \$2 million, at*



2.5% interest, the senior Bronfman says (she denies this)."

- ▶ November 2010, Vanity Fair, 'The Heiresses and the Cult':  
*"Keith Raniere, who had founded Executive Success Programs in 1998... By 2002, what most people saw in ESP was a successful corporate self-help program. ... Its alumni include Sheila Johnson... Antonia Novello... Richard Branson... To family friends, Seagram heiresses Sara and Clare Bronfman are victims of a frightening, secretive "cult" called nxivm, which has swallowed as much as \$150 million of their fortune. ... [They are] the daughters of... Edgar Bronfman Sr., and the half-sisters of Edgar junior, the chairman of Warner Music Group... Expecting a positive story, the top ranks [of NXIVM] had spoken to Forbes, including Raniere, Salzman, and Sara Bronfman. What upset them above all were Edgar Bronfman's remarks. "I think it's a cult," he told the magazine, going on to say that he was troubled about the "emotional and financial" investment in NXIVM by his daughters, to whom he hadn't spoken in months. Within NXIVM, word went out that Edgar Bronfman had encouraged the article, perhaps even feeding Forbes information "because he wanted to destroy NXIVM." ... In 2003, Kristin Snyder, a 35-year-old environmental consultant, disappeared after a nxivm session in Alaska. Her body was never found, but in her truck, parked on the shore of Resurrection Bay, was a note which read, "I was brainwashed and my emotional center of the brain was killed/turned off. ... Please contact my parents. ... If you find me or this note. I am sorry. I didn't know I was already dead." Today, people describe nxivm therapy sessions in which they were convinced that they are "reincarnated Nazis" or "responsible for 9/11." Looking back on her experience, [Raniere's old girlfriend Toni] Natalie says, "Keith finds your vulnerabilities and then he preys on them." ... When [Toni] Natalie was with him, Raniere lived in a house in Halfmoon, a town north of Albany, which he shared with Pam Cafritz... the daughter of the Washington socialites Bill and Buffy Cafritz [who have been partying with George Soros, the Clintons, Vernon Jordan, James Wolfensohn, Michael Bloomberg, etc.]... When Toni Natalie called Edgar Bronfman, after reading the Forbes article in the fall of 2003, he took her call immediately. ... 'He's going to burn through all their money. He's going to be sleeping with both of them.' And he said, 'No. No. Not my girls. No. They won't do that.' ... That August [2004], at Vanguard Week, a lengthy celebration of Raniere's birthday, held every summer, Sara and Clare stood*

onstage and presented Raniere with a giant cardboard check for \$20 million, a donation to the Ethical Foundation—a nonprofit controlled by NXIVM... By the end of 2004 they had bought the jet. In early 2005, they began covering Raniere's losses in the commodities market. ... As Raniere's losses soared, he would tell people that Sara and Clare's father was responsible. ... [A company of Raniere] would lose close to \$70 million—and the Bronfmans would cover \$65.6 million of it. ...

Bronfman was reportedly considering taking legal action to have his daughters declared incompetent in an effort to protect their assets and pry them away from NXIVM. But one insider says, "I don't think the family wants the stigma of that attached to the girls." ...

Clare who firmed up the sisters' agreement to pay \$1 million to a man named Frank Parlato Jr., who showed up at the Plyams' Wilshire Boulevard office looking "thug-like," dressed in black and wearing a fedora. Allegedly claiming to represent Edgar Bronfman..."

- ▶ January 20, 2009, New York Social Diary, 'Inauguration Day': "The big one last night was hosted by Buffy and Bill Cafritz [whose daughter was deeply into NXIVM], Robert and Kelly Day, Phyllis George, and Vernon and Ann Jordan in the ballroom of the Fairfax Hotel. The guestlist was huge and Triple A by New York and Washington standards. ... Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bernstein, David Adler ... our Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Diana Taylor ... Hillary Clinton ... Richard Holbrooke ... Ronald Lauder, Diane von Furstenberg, Ann and Bill Nitze ... Charlie Rose ... Ron Silver, George Soros ... Eileen and Jim [James] Wolfensohn ... Mort Zuckerman..."
- ▶ October 17, 2017, New York Times, 'Inside a Secretive Group Where Women Are Branded'.
- ▶ March 26, 2018, New York Post, 'Cult leader arrested for allegedly branding women, keeping them as 'slaves': "Keith Raniere displayed a disgusting abuse of power in his efforts to denigrate and manipulate women he considered his sex slaves," FBI Assistant Director-in-Charge William Sweeney said. ... The complaint alleges that many of the victims had Raniere's initials "branded in their pubic regions" with a cauterizing pen in a "tribute" that could last 30 minutes. ... This led Raniere to start a secret society within NXIVM called "DOS" in 2015 — an organization that operated as a pyramid with "slaves" and "masters." ... The entire scheme began to unravel when a DOS "slave" defected in 2017, which led to an article in The New York Times."

- ▶ April 22, 2018, The Sun, 'NXIVM sex slave cult 'held wild parties and seminars' on Sir Richard Branson's private island Necker': *"Former NXIVM publicist Frank Parlato [Niagara Falls Reporter owner whose rather vicious NXIVM publications dominate the internet] said: "I was told the reason they staged the seminars on Necker was they hoped to recruit Branson into the organisation." ... Several group members, including co-founder Nancy Salzman, visited Necker for two seminars in 2007 and 2010. Keith Raniere did not attend either trip. Pictures provided by Mr Parlato, reportedly taken on Necker in 2010, show Sir Richard with Sara [Bronfman], Allison Mack and others. ...*

*A Virgin Management spokesman said: "Sir Richard Branson has never heard of Keith Raniere, he has never met him and there is absolutely no association between Sir Richard and the NXIVM group or its leader."*

- ▶ January 19, 2018, Negocios (Mexican newspaper), 'Asegura Federico de la Madrid que ESP desarrolla el potencial': *"Federico de la Madrid revealed that one of the most positive impacts for his professional and personal trajectory has been his participation in the courses of the methodology called Executive Success Programs (ESP), which was developed by the American scientist Keith Raniere... [He is] the son of former President Miguel De La Madrid..."*
- ▶ April 12, 2018, Sonora Presente, 'The powerful names behind the Nxivm case' ('Los poderosos apellidos detrás del caso Nxivm'): *"The Nxivm sect, and its affiliates in Mexico, managed to seduce several young society names and well-known names in the social and business elites of Mexico, including ... relatives of former President Miguel de la Madrid, as his son Federico de la Madrid and his wife Fabiola Sánchez de la Madrid; Alejandra Gonzalez Anaya [artistic director, founder and producer of the entertainment company Anima, and sister of PEMEX CEO, World Bank employee and Mexican finance minister since Nov. 2017 Jose Antonio Gonzalez Anaya] ... and Cecilia Salinas Occelli, among other Mexican surnames that the blog Frank Report, written by publicist Frank Parlato, mentions as members of that sect. ...*

*Testimony of former members of the sect who asked for anonymity, claim that the Nxivm-connected network operating in Mexico not only includes groups that recruit people, especially wealthy young women, under the guise of "self-help", but that it also includes several companies managed by the Prorsus holding [Prorsus Capital], which runs private schools for "genius children" Rainbow Cultural Garden, to services to support tourists through a Moneyback fund, Adamant Corporation, Vista*

*San Felipe and Mexican Solidary Administrator, all linked to Emiliano Salinas and Alejandro Betancourt. Regarding international connections and foreign leaders linked to Raniere, there is Claire Bronfman, who collects and directs Nxvm courses and financial operations in Mexico."*

- ▶ [prorsuscapital.com/team.php](http://prorsuscapital.com/team.php) (accessed: April 26, 2018; venture capital firm for start-ups): *"Alejandro Betancourt. Emiliano Salinas. Ana Maria Ortes. Farouk Rojas. Jazmin Duran. Danielle Van Der Kwartel. ...*

*Alejandro Betancourt, President: ... While still in college, Alejandro was Executive Coordinator of the Public Relations Commission for the 4th visit to Mexico of the late Pope John Paul II, coordinating logistics for heads of state and other special guests.*

*...*

*Emiliano Salinas, Vice President: ... He previously worked as a financial analyst for the Lazard Freres and Co. LLC investment bank in New York City, where he participated in mergers and acquisitions involving Telefonica de España, Anheuser-Busch InBev, and Revlon among others. Emiliano has a Ph.D. in economics from Harvard University and a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from the prestigious ITAM in Mexico. ...*

*Ana Maria Ortes, CEO: ... Before joining Prorsus, Ana Maria was personal assistant to the President of Altos Hornos de Mexico [largest integrated steel plant in Mexico]...*

*Jazmin Duran: ... Jazmin Duran joined Prorsus Capital in 2008 as Administrative Manager. ... In 2004 she coordinated logistics for the international Youth Employment Summit, an event with over 1,500 attendees from 105 countries. Previous to that, she was Project Coordinator for the entrepreneurial program at the prestigious Monterrey Institute of Technology, where she was in charge of their business forum...*

*Danielle Van Der Kwartel: ... Danielle joined Prorsus Capital as Regional Director in charge of Mexico in 2008. ... At the time she held a seat in the Marketing Committee of the Mexican Ministry of Tourism (C.P.T.M.) for over 3 years."*

- ▶ [almacapital.com.mx/pre-ipo-investment-in-facebook/](http://almacapital.com.mx/pre-ipo-investment-in-facebook/) (accessed: April 26, 2018): *"In one of our most successful operations—in participation with Prorsus Capital—Alma Capital [founded by Alejandro Betancourt] gained access to a pre-IPO*

*round of financing for Facebook, Inc."* Peter Thiel was the first investor in Facebook.

- ▶ The Ethical Science Foundation, where NXIVM's Dr. Brandon Porter carried out rather unusual experiments:
  - ▶ March 27, 2018, New York Post, 'Feds raid cult co-founder's home one day after leader's arrest': *"The [Ethical Science Foundation] was formed by Clare Bronfman, an heir to the Seagram's whisky fortune and a senior Nxivm adherent, the paper reports. A Vancouver woman filed a complaint in August saying she was recruited by Salzman to take part in one of the experiments in 2016, where she was hooked up to a brain activity monitor and shown disturbing footage of murder and rape."*
  - ▶ November 2, 2017, frankreport.com, 'Ethical Science Foundation tax returns; 2008- 2015; Bronfman contributes \$750,000 for human experiments'.
- ▶ Most key names of NXIVM were to be found in the more public Ethical Humanitarian Foundation, founded by the same group:
  - ▶ [ethicalhumanitarian.com/keith\\_raniere.php](http://ethicalhumanitarian.com/keith_raniere.php) (accessed: April 26, 2018): *"Ethical Humanitarian: A Foundation for Ethical Humanitarianism. Co-founders: Clare Bronfman. Sara Bronfman. ... Keith Raniere: ... By the age of one, he could construct full sentences and questions; he was able to read by the age of two. An autodidact, he directed his learning abilities to learning itself, studying its science and art in order to find optimized learning strategies and methodologies. Applying this skill to athletics, Keith Raniere excelled in judo and was an East Coast Judo Champion at age eleven. He also excelled in numerous other sports including volleyball, tennis, table tennis, diving, softball, cycling and skiing. By the age of twelve, he taught himself to play piano at the concert level; his passion and aptitude for music would inspire him to master many other musical instruments. He taught himself high school mathematics in nineteen hours at the age of twelve; only one year later, he was proficient in third-year college mathematics and was a professional computer programmer. Keith Raniere entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) at age sixteen. From his first semester onward, he began taking PhD level mathematics courses, ultimately taking most of the graduate-level physics and mathematics courses available at the time. Upon graduation he became RPI's first triple major, earning degrees in mathematics, biology and physics, with minors in philosophy and psychology, and an expertise in computer science.*

*Noted as one of the world's top three problem solvers, Keith Raniere was honored in 1989 by the Guinness Book of World Records in the category of highest IQ ...*

*In 2003, he founded NXIVM Corporation... Late in 2006, he founded Rainbow Cultural Garden, a revolutionary child development program promoting children's cultural, linguistic, emotional, physical and problem-solving potential. During 2007, Keith Raniere founded A Cappella Innovations...*

*In August 2008, Keith Raniere published his first book- *Odin and the Sphinx*...*

*In 2007, Keith Raniere conceptualized the Ethical Humanitarian Foundation, a private, not-for-profit foundation supporting endeavors that promote embracing humanity, developing ethics, and moving humankind towards a more noble civilization. In August 2008, he conceptualized the World Ethical Foundations Consortium (WEFC), a non-profit initiative dedicated to the building of a compassionate, ethical humanity. More recently, in September 2008, he conceptualized In Lak' Ech-a non-violence civil movement in Mexico-after having met with a group of concerned citizens native to that country. The movement seeks to transform the violence-ridden nation through active, non-violent protest and compassion.*

*In April, 2009, the WEFC-supported by the Ethical Humanitarian Foundation-hosted its first major public event in Albany, NY. The inaugural event is to culminate in a public talk by His Holiness The Dalai Lama in Albany on May 6, 2009."*

- ▶ [worldethicalfoundations.org/endorsements.html](http://worldethicalfoundations.org/endorsements.html)  
(accessed: April 26, 2018): "*- Desmond Tutu: ...I believe that your model for directed humanitarian action has the power to create real and lasting change in our world.'*  
*- Luis Eugenio Todd, MD, Director General of Science and Technology for the State of Nuevo LeOn, Mexico. ...*  
*- Richard Branson, Founder, Virgin Group: 'The tools you have for compassionately dealing with complex ethical and global issues are not only unique, but also extremely valuable. This, along with a program of coordinated, organized resources, makes for an innovative approach to transforming our society. I think your founding event will be extraordinary and potentially world changing!'"*
- ▶ [worldethicalfoundations.org/sara\\_bronfman.html](http://worldethicalfoundations.org/sara_bronfman.html)  
(accessed: April 26, 2018): "*In late 2008, Sara and Clare Bronfman, together with conceptual founder Keith Raniere, created the World Ethical Foundations Consortium, a highly directed, non-profit initiative dedicated to the building of a compassionate, ethical*

humanity. Sara Bronfman is Chair of the initiative's first high-profile gathering to take place in the New York Capital Region in February 2009. ...

In 2002, Ms. Bronfman completed an intensive international program at New York University's School of Professional Studies and began a search for practical tools to help her grow as an individual and further her professional ambitions. In September, she attended a seminar with Executive Success Programs, Inc. (ESP). ... Within only two years, Ms. Bronfman became one of the company's top-ranked international trainers and was elected to serve as the Minister of Humanities on the company's executive board. ... Working closely with ESP's president, Nancy Salzman, Ms. Bronfman founded the company's VIP Programs..."

- ▶ [worldethicalfoundations.org/clare\\_bronfman.html](http://worldethicalfoundations.org/clare_bronfman.html):  
(accessed: April 26, 2018): "In 2003, Ms. Bronfman took part in a personal and professional development course offered by Executive Success Programs, Inc. (ESP). ... She became a Regional Executive with the company in 2005. ... In addition to her professional pursuits, Ms. Bronfman supports various philanthropic endeavors, a trait she undoubtedly learned from her father and grandfather, Edgar M. Bronfman and the late Samuel Bronfman, respectively."
- ▶ [worldethicalfoundations.org/worldethicalfoundations\\_participants.html](http://worldethicalfoundations.org/worldethicalfoundations_participants.html)  
(accessed: April 26, 2018): "Luis Eugenio Todd, MD: ... Dean of one of largest universities in Latin America. ... Former Secretary of Education and Culture for the State of Nuevo LeOn and served as an Ambassador of Mexico to UNESCO. He is a member of the New York Academy of Science and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and the [W.F Kellogg Foundation](#).  
Kristin Kreuk: Actress, activist for Women's issues, co-founder of Girls by Design. ...  
Russell Means: ... one of contemporary America's best-known and prolific activists for the rights of American Indians. ...  
Pearl Means: ... wife of Russell Means. ...  
Agapi Stassinopoulos: ... author of *Conversations with the Goddesses and Gods and Goddesses in Love*, which has been translated in seven languages. Her one-woman show, *Conversations with the Goddesses*, became a PBS special and aired nationwide. ... Agapi recently collaborated with her sister, Arianna Huffington, to complete her book, *On Becoming Fearless*...  
Eduardo Punset: ... economic writer for the BBC, economics director of the Latin American edition of the newsweekly *The Economist*, and an economist for the

*International Monetary Fund in the United States and Haiti. ...*

*Cecilia Occelli: ... former first lady of Mexico [wife of President Carlos Salinas] and advocate for well-known charities in Mexico. She is also President of Save the Children in Mexico. ...*

*Allison Mack: Actress...*

*Emiliano Salinas [son of Mexican President Carlos Salinas]: ... one of the leaders of the In la' Kech Movement, a non-violent movement bringing together community to overcome violence in Mexico.*

*Abby Disney: Founder and the President of the Daphne Foundation ... that makes grants to grassroots, community-based organizations working with low-income communities in New York City. ... [twitter.com/abigaildisney: "[April 25:] kanye west just lost 9.2M followers in 7 mins for posting a photo of him wearing trump hat. ... Hey white people. Does this convince you that you don't have to use the n-word to be a racist? ... This the NFL embracing a racist on the one hand and shunning an activist on the other. The NFL is dying and I'm sad to say I think it deserves to die. ... God. My people are so fucked up. This woman wants me to peel my white skin off. [on white privilege] "]*

*Juan Carlos Lozano: Musician. ...*

*Jannette Chao: Singer and songwriter. ...*

*Bob Zangrillo: Founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of North Star Systems International ("North Star"). ... [As a banker] he recently served as a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, where he served on the Committee on Finance and Budget. ...*

*Phyllis Young: ... [One] of the founders of the best-known Native American women's organization of the 1970s was Women of All Red Nations (WARN). WARN was initiated in 1978 by women, many of whom were also members of the American Indian Movement which was founded in 1968 by Dennis Banks, George Mitchell, and Mary Jane Wilson, an Anishinabe activist. ...*

*Richard Mays: ... entered the private practice of law and while practicing law was also elected to the Arkansas General Assembly in 1972, becoming the first African American elected to that body in the 20th Century. Mr. Mays is a former Arkansas Supreme Court Justice appointed by President Clinton during his first term as Governor of Arkansas. In 1990, Mr. Mays was appointed to the Arkansas Ethics Commission by then Governor Clinton and served as its first chairman. During the 1992 presidential campaign, Mr. Mays served as a member of the Clinton-Gore National Finance Committee and later*



*as a National Co-Chairman of the Inaugural Committee. In 1993, Mr. Mays was appointed Deputy Treasurer of the Democratic National Finance Committee."*

### **Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research (PEAR) / International Consciousness Research Laboratories (ICRL)**

- ▶ [princeton.edu/~pear/](http://princeton.edu/~pear/) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"The Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research (PEAR) program was established at Princeton University in 1979 by Robert G. Jahn [of the [Esalen Institute](#)], then Dean of the School of Engineering and Applied Science, to pursue rigorous scientific study of the interaction of human consciousness with sensitive physical devices, systems, and processes common to contemporary engineering practice. Since that time, an interdisciplinary staff of engineers, physicists, psychologists, and humanists has been conducting a comprehensive agenda of experiments and developing complementary theoretical models to enable better understanding of the role of consciousness in the establishment of physical reality."*
- ▶ [icrl.org](http://icrl.org) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"ICRL is an international, interdisciplinary, and intergenerational consortium, originally created in 1990 by Robert Jahn and Brenda Dunne, founders of the Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research (PEAR) laboratory at Princeton University. A 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization with headquarters in Princeton, New Jersey, ICRL today comprises a network of some 80 scholars from 15 countries who represent a wide range of academic and professional backgrounds. "*
- ▶ [princeton.edu/~pear/press-statement.html](http://princeton.edu/~pear/press-statement.html) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"The Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research (PEAR) program at Princeton University, internationally renowned for its extensive study of the influence of the mind on physical reality, will be completing its agenda of basic research and closing its physical facilities at the end of February. The purpose of the program, established in 1979 by Robert G. Jahn, an aerospace scientist who was then Dean of the university's School of Engineering and Applied Science, was "to study the potential vulnerability of engineering devices and information processing systems to the anomalous influence of the consciousness of their human operators." The research was funded by gifts from Princeton alumni James S. McDonnell, patriarch of the McDonnell Douglas Aerospace empire, Laurance Rockefeller, Donald C. Webster, and by numerous other philanthropic benefactors. Jahn and his colleague, Brenda Dunne, a developmental psychologist from the University of Chicago who has served throughout as PEAR's laboratory manager, together with other members of*

their interdisciplinary research staff, have focused on two major areas of study: anomalous human/machine interactions, which addresses the effects of consciousness on random physical systems and processes; and remote perception, wherein people attempt to acquire information about distant locations and events. The enormous databases produced by PEAR provide clear evidence that human thought and emotion can produce measurable influences on physical reality. The researchers have also developed several theoretical models that attempt to accommodate the empirical results, which cannot be explained by any currently recognized scientific model. "We have accomplished what we originally set out to do 28 years ago, namely to determine whether these effects are real and to identify their major correlates. There are still many important questions to be addressed that will require a coordinated interdisciplinary approach to the topic, but it is time for the next generation of scholars to take over." Jahn and Dunne said. Their future plans involve oversight of the International Consciousness Research Laboratories (ICRL), a non-profit organization established in 1996 to promote quality research, educational initiatives, and practical applications of consciousness-related anomalies [www.icrl.org](http://www.icrl.org). The members of ICRL represent some 20 countries and a broad range of professional backgrounds, and most have had some association with the PEAR program in the past. Jahn and Dunne currently serve as advisers to Psyleron, [www.Psyleron.com](http://www.Psyleron.com), a Princeton, NJ-based enterprise that produces a line of state-of-the-art technology to enable public exploration of human/machine anomalies. They will both also continue to serve as Officers of the Society for Scientific Exploration: [www.ScientificExploration.org](http://www.ScientificExploration.org). More than 50 publications are available on the PEAR website, and Jahn and Dunne's textbook, *Margins of Reality: The Role of Consciousness in the Physical World* (Harcourt, 1987) has been in print for nearly 20 years. As part of their extensive archiving efforts, Jahn and Dunne have recently prepared a 150-page anthology of those PEAR publications pertinent to the burgeoning fields of complementary and alternative medicine, for a special issue of *Explore: The Journal of Science and Healing*, edited by Dr. Larry Dossey, which is currently in press. An educational DVD/CD set entitled *The PEAR Proposition*, produced by Strip Mind Media, offers a comprehensive overview history and accomplishments of the laboratory is also available, and can be obtained on-line from the ICRL website at [www.icrl.org](http://www.icrl.org).

- 1991, Michael Talbott, 'The Holographic Universe', introduction: "In 1987, physicist Robert G. Jahn [also of the [Esalen Institute](#)] and clinical psychologist Brenda J. Dunne, both at Princeton University, announced that after a decade of

*rigorous experimentation by their Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research Laboratory, they had accumulated unequivocal evidence that the mind can psychically interact with physical reality."*

### **Romero Institute (Christic Institute)**

- ▶ Known as the Christic Institute in the 1980s, which, under the leadership of Rockefeller favorites James Garrison and Daniel Sheehan.
- ▶ For details see the [Coast to Coast AM biography of Daniel Sheehan](#), a major new age scam artist. Sheehan's 1980s investigation for the Christic Institute into Reagan-CIA-Contra drug trafficking appears to have been rather accurate, but his later work, linked to UFO research and the new age, is little more than a scam operation.
- ▶ July 20, 1987, New York Times, 'Washington Talk: Investigations; A Liberal Group Makes Waves With Its Contra Lawsuit': *"The Christic institute was founded in January 1980, by lawyers and investigators who six months earlier had won a \$10.5 million judgment against the Oklahoma-based Kerr-McGee Corporation for the family of Karen Silkwood. A settlement of \$1.38 million was eventually reached in that suit, which said Miss Silkwood and her home had become contaminated with plutonium because of negligence and inadequate safety procedures at the Kerr-McGee plant where she worked.*

*The institute takes its name from the "Christic force," a concept pioneered by a Jesuit priest that is said to be the harmony that bonds all things together and overpowers man-made destructive forces. The institute's leaders say the theory is the basis of a progressive political viewpoint that is pursued through legal actions.*

*Although the institute is not a religious organization, faith plays an important role in its communal culture. Eight staff members live in a group home owned by the institute and enjoy subsidized rent. Almost every staff member is paid \$15,000 annually, including the top executives. ...*

*The institute's suit seeks \$20 million in damages on behalf of two American freelance journalists: Tony Avirgan, a television cameraman, and Martha Honey, who has been a stringer for several newspapers, including The New York Times. The two, based in Costa Rica, investigated the bombing at a news conference in May 1984 that was apparently meant to assassinate Eden Pastora Gomez, then the leader of the contra forces in Costa Rica. Mr. Avirgan was wounded in the incident.*

*When it filed the suit in May 1986, the institute was one of*

*hundreds of small and largely unknown liberal groups clamoring to be noticed in a capital smitten by a popular President and his conservative policies.*

*But the initial disclosure last November of the Iran-contra affair confirmed one of the suit's principal contentions - that Lieut. Col. Oliver L. North, Maj. Gen. Richard V. Secord and a number of current and former operatives for the Central Intelligence Agency were secretly directing the contras in a war against the Sandinista government of Nicaragua.*

*Nothing at the institute's headquarters on North Capitol Street has been the same since. Private donations are pouring in, enough to provide half of the nearly \$40,000 needed each week to finance the investigation. The other half comes from public-interest and religious groups like the Unitarian Veatch Program on Long Island, the National Methodist Programs in New York, the J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation in Illinois, the C. S. Fund in Los Angeles."*

- ▶ Originally founded to counter *"the fact that the right had really monopolized the issue of religion"*, in the mid-1980s the Christic Institute prominently fought the "Secret Team" of CIA agent Ted Shackley and Iran Contra associates over drug trafficking charges (apparently because secretary of state George Shultz and liberal establishment allies were put aside by the ultraright CIA director William Casey and associates as Colonel Oliver North). At the time the Christic Institute received funding from the Rockefeller-allied [New World Foundation](#), in which Hillary Clinton at the time played a very prominent role. Soon thereafter this ultraright group produced videos as *The Clinton Chronicles* that pinned Iran-Contra type activity on Bill Clinton.
- ▶ [Tides Foundation](#) grants to Daniel Sheehan's Romero Institute (formerly the Christic Institute): "*[2004:] Romero Institute. \$75,000.00. UNITED STATES. [www.newparadigminstitute.org](#).*
- [2005:] Romero Institute. \$35,000.00. UNITED STATES. [www.newparadigminstitute.org](#).*
- [2006:] Romero Institute. \$82,500.00. UNITED STATES. [www.newparadigminstitute.org](#).*
- [2007:] Romero Institute. \$109,000.00. U.S.A. [www.newparadigminstitute.org](#).*
- [2008:] Romero Institute. \$150,000.00. U.S.A. [www.newparadigminstitute.org](#).*
- [2011:] Romero Institute. 25000. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA [romeroinstitute.net](#).*
- [2012:] Romero Institute. 35000. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [romeroinstitute.net](#).*
- [2013:] Romero Institute. \$20,000.00. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [romeroinstitute.net](#). Romero Institute. \$25,000.00. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [romeroinstitute.net](#)."*

Total: \$556,500 in the 2004-2013 period.

- ▶ May 31, 1995, San Francisco Weekly, 'One World, Under Gorbys (Part II)': *"[Daniel Sheehan] went on to Harvard, where in 1975 he earned a master's degree in theology from the divinity school. ... [In the early 1980s] his work in the anti-nuclear movement brought him into contact with Hager and others building the Silkwood case. After the case was resolved, the core group of Silkwood litigators and hangers-on began discussing the need to infuse the left with a sense of spirituality. "We were struck by the fact that the right had really monopolized the issue of religion," Hager says. The group decided to found a think tank and legal defense fund. Garrison, who read the New Age Catholic theologian Pierre Teilhard De Chardin (a favorite of Jerry Brown and Jimmy Carter), pulled a neologism out of the book The Heart of Matter and named the organization the Christic Institute. (Later, under lawyer Danny Sheehan, the Christic Institute imploded beneath the weight of its legal campaign against the alleged "Secret Team" of spook Ted Shackley.)"*
- ▶ May 17, 1996, Dr. Victor J. Stenger of the University of Hawaii (with Jack Sarfatti), 'Quantum Quackery', 7th revised draft version: *"Danny Sheehan made it [to the August 1995 [State of the World Forum](#) event]. Danny formerly of the Christic Institute that tried to blow the whistle on Iran-Contra and got hit with a multi-million dollar fine, is now real heavy into UFOs. My more paranoid friends claim that Danny has been imprinted with false memories by the CIA. Danny is a very charming Irishman with a lot of charisma like the younger Tim Leary."*

### Round Table Foundation / Lab Nine

- ▶ Colonel Andrija Puharich was the founder and research director of the the Round Table Foundation at the Laboratory of Experimental Electrobiolgy in Glen Cove, Maine, from 1948 to 1958. The start up funds came from a number of elite families, mainly Astor and Du Pont. According to his CV, Puharich was doing tests on animals here for the General Food Corporation. However, Puharich had extensive training from the military and certainly in his spare time was experimenting with psychedelic mushrooms and LSD to see if they provided his test subjects with a boost in extra-sensory perception (ESP).
- ▶ It is at the Round Table Foundation that in December 1952 Puharich first brought in a psychic that began to channel "The Nine", or nine Ennead gods of Ancient Egypt: Osiris, Horus, etc. The "teachings" of "The Nine", through SRI and the [Esalen Institute](#), would come to have tremendous influence on what

today is the [Coast to Coast AM](#) network of guests, particularly ideas involving Lemuria, Atlantis, aliens from Sirius, Giza being much older than commonly thought; pyramids, Cydonia and the Face on Mars, etc. Coincidentally, the teachings have a lot in common with Theosophy, Alice Bailey (Lucis Trust) and Aleister Crowley, which Puharich was already familiar with at this point, certainly Alice Bailey.

- ▶ Puharich was working out of the Army Chemical Corps at Edgewood Arsenal as a chemical and biological expert in the 1953-1955 period. Coincidentally, Edgewood Arsenal was a major center for CIA-Army MKULTRA mind control research and in the November 1952 to April 1954 period Puharich published four papers for the military related to extrasensory perception and psychological warfare. This first November 1952 paper involving *"extrasensory perception in Psychological Warfare"* coincidentally was one month before Puharich brought in the first psychic that began to channel the Ennead gods of Ancient Egypt.

- ▶ Lynda Hunt, 'Secret Agenda', pp. 125-129: *"In 1949 the direction of Edgewood's work abruptly changed. A consultant to the Chemical Division at EUCOM sent information about an amazing drug, LSD, that caused hallucinations and suicidal tendencies in humans. As a result, Edgewood's L. Wilson Greene seized the idea of conducting "psychochemical warfare." ... The link between Edgewood and the CIA was close. Many scientists who worked at Edgewood or under Edgewood contracts were on the CIA's payroll. ... Psychiatrist Harold Abramson was a CIA consultant involved in the Olson case who also worked for Edgewood."*

- ▶ The L. Wilson Greene connection [might be very significant](#), if only because he almost certainly set up key MKULTRA research in conjunction with CIA directors General Walter Bedell Smith and Allen Dulles, both members of the elite [Pilgrims Society](#).

- ▶ [puharich.nl/Bio/Resume.htm](#) (accessed: April 5, 2016): *"Army specialized training program 1942-1946 at Northwestern University Medical school... Captain, MC. Chief, Outpatient Service, United States Army dispensary, Army Chemical Center, Maryland 1953 to 1955 [Edgewood Arsenal]. Specialized duties in chemical and biological warfare. ... Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York Microelectronics, 1962-1963. ...*

*Except for a two-year leave of absence for military duty (1953-55) held the position of Director of Research, Round Table Foundation, Glen Cove, Maine. Founded this non-profit foundation. Principal duties were to plan and carry out animal and human research programs, supervise a staff of technicians which usually averaged eight in*

*number over the years, and to raise funds through grants and contracts. 1948 to 1952 was almost entirely devoted to animal research. ...*

*[MILITARY] PUBLICATIONS...:*

*9. A critique of the possible usefulness of extrasensory perception in Psychological Warfare. Paper presented to a Seminar on Psychological Warfare. Department of Defense, Washington, D.C., November 23, 1952.*

*10. Researches in decreasing or increasing telepathy. Paper presented at The Aviation School of Medicine USAF, Randolph Field, Texas. March 16, 1953.*

*11. A Physical Technique for Amplifying Telepathy. Paper presented at a Department of Chemistry Seminar, December 4, 1953. Armour Research Foundation, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Ill.*

*12. Biochemical foundations for extrasensory perception. Paper presented at the Medical Research Laboratory Seminar, April 20, 1954. United States Army Chemical Corps, Army Chemical Center, Edgewood, Maryland."*

► Involved in the Round Table Foundation were Alice Astor of the wealthy Astor family and Marcella Du Pont, the daughter-in-law of the wealthy Irene duPont, as well as other elites interested in ESP.

► Library of Congress at [findingaids.loc.gov](http://findingaids.loc.gov), 'Marcella Miller du Pont papers, 1861-1976' (accessed: November 4, 2017): "*BOX 19. General Correspondence, 1932-1976 (continued). Puharich, Henry K., Round Table Foundation, 1949-1956. (2 folders).*"

► Annie Jacobsen in her 2017 book 'Phenomena' cites from the Marcella du Pont papers and reported that Joyce Borden Balokovic, her husband Zlatko; Alice Astor (introduced to Puharich through the Balokovic couple) and Marcella Du Pont provided the start up financing for the Round Table Foundation. Jacobson details that Alice Astor began to finance Puharich's work in 1948 with a grant of \$106,000. Corrected for inflation, this would equal approximately \$1,000,000 in 2017. Astor became founding vice president; Balokovic founding treasurer; and Marcella Du Pont received the honorary title of "mother of magic". Astor was a very good friend of Admiral John Gingrich, in turn a friend of CIA director Admiral Roscoe Hillenkoetter. Gingrich also was very interested in the ESP experiments of Puharich.

Other elite financiers of the Round Table Foundation, according to Jacobsen, involved Congresswoman Frances Payne Bolton, granddaughter of oil baron Henry B. Payne; department store owner Henry Belk; Boston Brahmin Cabot Paine; and John Hays Hammond, Jr., son of the diplomat and mining magnet John Hays



Hammond, Sr.

- ▶ Allen Dulles lover and long-time friend Mary Bancroft reportedly attended Ennead seances, but there's no reliable source for this at the moment. All we know is that Bancroft was very close to Round Table Foundation chairman Arthur Young and his wife, Ruth Forbes Paine, who were [close to / handlers of JFK killer Lee Harvey Oswald](#) and his wife.
- ▶ The story of the Round Table Foundation, the alleged channelling of the Ennead, and the subsequent influence of Puharich, Arthur M. Young and Coast to Coast AM guest J.J. Hurtak on some of the theories promoted by the present-day [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest network is best in the following (almost forgotten) book:  
1999, Lynn Picknett and Clive Prince, 'The Stargate Conspiracy' (epub): *"From 1948 until 1958 Puharich ran a private paranormal research centre called the Round Table Foundation in Glen Cove, Maine, carrying out experiments with several famous psychics such as the Irish medium Eileen Garrett and the Dutch clairvoyant Peter Hurkos (Pieter van der Hirk). In 1952 he took an Indian mystic, Dr D.G. Vinod, to the laboratory... The first of these sessions took place on 31 December 1952. Vinod entered the trance state and at exactly 9pm, spoke. His first words were, portentously: 'We are Nine Principles and Forces.' One of the 'Nine' [Ennead Gods of Ancient Egypt], who identified himself only as 'M' (a second communicator, 'R', also appeared over the next few months) [Note: Copied from Alice Bailey's system, involving "Master M" and "Master R"] ... A final seminal session with Vinod occurred on 27 June [1953], when a circle of nine people, led by Puharich, gathered to listen to the disembodied nonhuman intelligences known as the Nine. Two of the 'sitters' [were] Arthur M. Young and his wife Ruth... Another sitter was Alice Bouverie (née Astor), daughter of the founder of the Astoria Hotel in New York. Already the message was percolating through to the upper echelons of American society. [10] ... The Nine themselves - speaking through Dr Vinod - said: 'God is nobody else than we together, the Nine Principles of God. There is no God other than what we are together.' [12] The group disbanded when Vinod returned to India. That, however, was by no means the end of the Nine. ... [In late 1971 and early 1972] Puharich stayed in Israel for almost three months, in daily contact with [\[Uri\] Geller](#) and bombarded with demonstrations of paranormal phenomena nearly every day. Messages from Spectra/the Nine continued, either channelled through the hypnotised Geller or appearing spontaneously on audio tapes, but in every case the tapes either erased themselves or vanished before their eyes. ... When Puharich returned to the United States in February 1972*



... he contacted [SRI International](#). Significantly, although SRI supremos Targ and Puthoff were in charge of the testing, the key figure in this scenario was former lunar astronaut [Edgar Mitchell](#), the 'funding and contracting agent'. [23]

Significantly, the Geller experiments at SRI early days - started to describe their plans for an imminent mass landing of spaceships, claiming that Puharich and Geller's roles were to prepare mankind for this momentous event. The Nine described the 'Knowledge Book' that they had left hidden in Egypt some 6,000 years ago, during one of their previous visits to Earth. They then began to talk about another extraterrestrial race, called - somewhat unfortunately - Hoova, who had come to Earth 20,000 years ago, specifically to the area now called Israel, where they had encountered Abraham, claiming that this meeting was the origin of the Biblical story of the ladder joining Heaven and Earth. On 27 February 1973, Puharich took Geller to meet Arthur M. Young at his house in Philadelphia, thus completing a circle that had begun twenty years before with the channelling of Dr Vinod. Sadly there are no accessible records of what happened at this meeting. Unfortunately for the Nine, their carefully laid plans for Geller never came to fruition. In October 1973 he appeared on The David Dumbleby Show on British television and was launched into overnight psychic superstardom. Geller and Puharich went their separate ways soon afterwards, and the former has distanced himself from the Nine ever since. ...

[The Puharich group] continued seamlessly after Geller's departure, with other channellers and a new group of devotees. The key people who now entered the story were Sir John Whitmore and Phyllis Schlemmer. The new group formed an organisation called Lab Nine, based at Puharich's estate at Ossining in New York State. Puharich and Lab Nine had many wealthy and influential backers, including members of Canada's richest family, the Bronfmans (the owners of the Seagram liquor business) and an Italian nobleman called Baron DiPauli. It is portrayed as an almost hippy-style commune — with a loose band of hangers-on moving around the central nucleus of Puharich, Whitmore and Schlemmer - but what hippy commune attracts quite so many rich people or such a sprinkling of members of the intelligence agencies? And what other community could boast a fully qualified kahuna shaman and master hypnotist like Puharich - with none other than [James Hurtak](#) as his de facto second-in-command? ...

Hurtak carried out work at Giza in the late 1970s, which seems to have been in some way connected with SRI's presence there at that time. While he has never been officially employed by them, he has always maintained close contact with its senior figures. [34] In particular, he has a close friendship with

Lambert Dolphin Jr, who – according to Hurtak – 'shared private insights' about Giza with him in 1976. [35] (Hurtak also knows Mark Lehner. [36]) In 1977 and 1978 Hurtak and some unnamed colleagues undertook a private expedition to Giza. ... SRI and [Edgar Cayce's] ARE, with Mark Lehner, also collaborated on another remote-sensing project at the Sphinx in 1982, called the Sphinx Mapping Project, this time using acoustic techniques to look for hidden cavities. ... Intriguingly, [by 1976] Hurtak was already referring to the Face [on Mars] as 'Sphinx-like', making an immediate and emotive connection with Egypt. Even more intriguing is the fact that Hurtak had predicted the existence of a Sphinx image on Mars in 1975, the year before the Viking pictures had been taken. [8] But it was his extraordinary extrapolations from this image that have far-reaching implications. Hancock and Bauval said that Hurtak: 'predicted that further finds of similar structures, including a Sphinx-like monument, would be made on Mars, and that these structures would be linked to the Giza ...' ... The lead in promoting DiPietro and Molenaar's discoveries and the issue, of the Face on Mars was taken up enthusiastically — not to say fanatically - by science writer [Richard C. Hoagland](#) [in 1983] ... Between 1975 and 1980 Hoagland was a consultant to NASA's Goddard Spaceflight Center in Maryland, organising media events, which is where his much-repeated 'NASA consultant' title originated. ...

In July 1983 [Richard Hoagland] was studying DiPietro and Molenaar's enhanced images of the Cydonia region and noticed a series of other artificial-looking features to the west of the Face. To Hoagland's eye there seemed to be a whole complex of pyramidal and other structures, covering an area of about 12 square miles. He excitedly termed it the 'City'. ... As soon as he discovered the City, Hoagland wrote: 'I was reminded overwhelmingly of Egypt.'<sup>13</sup> He then went on to identify various other features in Cydonia... Hoagland decided to set up a project to study these features further. He approached SRI and in October 1993 met its vice-president for corporate affairs, former intelligence officer Paul Shay, at the Institute for the Study of Consciousness in Berkeley, California (founded by Arthur M. Young). This was to prove a significant meeting. Shay recommended that he collaborate with Lambert Dolphin Jr, the physicist who had led SRI teams in Giza between 1973 and 1982. [15] In December 1983, Hoagland and Dolphin formed the Independent Mars Mission, with \$50,000 from SRI's 'President's Fund', an internal funding source under the discretion of SRI's President, Dr William Miller. Other key people involved in the Independent Mars Mission were Randolpho Pozos (anthropologist), Ren Breck (manager of InfoMedia, the computer conference company run by the thinking person's ufologist, Dr Jacques Vallée),

Merton Davies (a specialist in the cartography of Mars and other planets) and Gene Cordell (a computer-imaging specialist). One of the first to join the new project was physicist John Brandenburg of Sandia Research Laboratories (which specialises in nuclear weapons research). He was a leading scientist in Ronald Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative ('Star Wars') programme, and had previously worked with DiPietro and Molenaar on their analysis of Cydonia. The first lecture given by Hoagland and Pozos on the work of the Independent Mars Mission took place at the Institute for the Study of Consciousness in early 1984. ... Another early recruit to the cause was a designer and illustrator named Jim Channon, a former lieutenant colonel with the US Army, who had been stationed at the Pentagon. Channon was the creator of the 'First Earth Battalion', which was, in Hoagland's words, 'a pragmatic proposal to combine the "spiritual warrior" goals of "the New Age" with the pragmatic grounded methodology of the military services'.<sup>17</sup> ... Then came Phase Two, the Mars Mission (later called the Enterprise Mission), beginning in 1988, which was more concerned with actively promoting the alleged meaning of the structures at Cydonia, and their connection with the ancient civilisations of Earth, particularly Egypt. Underlying all of Phase Two is one, over-riding message, which is that the builders of Cydonia are back...

One of the main objectives of Hoagland's Mars Mission was to lobby NASA for a commitment to rephotographing Cydonia. For much of that time NASA either refused point-blank or issued contradictory statements. Then, in April 1998, they effectively wrong-footed the pro-Cydonia lobby by announcing that the Mars Global Surveyor, which had just begun to orbit the Red Planet, would be photographing Cydonia, achieving far better resolutions than the Viking mission. The results would be disseminated on the Internet almost immediately, as soon as the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) had completed the necessary processing of the digital information. When these images — of the Face and the City — were finally issued by NASA to huge disappointment and even incredulity, there was considerably less to suggest a Face. ... Hoagland, however, is as adamant as ever that the Face exists, and - characteristically blunt - dismisses the new images as 'crap'. [32] He insists that the Mars Global Surveyor pictures show more, not less, evidence of artificiality, even claiming that 'room-sized cells' can be distinguished within the main City Pyramid. ... Hoagland's Enterprise Mission website proclaimed that the new images showed that 'It is a Face!'. Within days it had produced its own 'rectified' version of the new NASA pictures, this time looking more like the original Viking ones, which was only to be expected because

they had filled in the 'gaps' in the new data with the relevant parts of the original images. [33] Hoagland clearly believed NASA was lying, and was furious. If there were no Face on Mars, then there was nothing on which to hang a 'Message'. ... We have noted that Hoagland's work appears to fall into two distinct phases: the first, backed by SRI in 1983-4, was concerned with promoting the idea of the existence of a very ancient civilisation on Mars. But, since 1989, the second phase has been about the 'Message', the connection with humanity's own ancient history and our present and future. ... Richard Hoagland's influential Enterprise Mission had two directors of operations, for the United States and Europe respectively, David P. Myers and David S. Percy. Both had significant roles in the promotion of the Message of Cydonia. ... Although Hoagland is undoubtedly fully aware of the source of Myers and Percy's 'insights', he is (perhaps understandably) reluctant to mention it in his books and lectures. David Percy, in his lectures on the same subject in Britain, never mentions the source of his wisdom, although he was once forced to do so in public. After his lecture to the British UFO Research Association (BUFORA) in 1995, at which we were present, he was challenged by UFO researcher John Rimmer to reveal the origins of his information, and admitted that it was, in fact, partly derived from telepathic contact with the Nine. Recently, Percy has admitted being a member of the man circle of 'contactees'. ...

In a conversation with Uri Geller in January 1998 about his time at SRI, he told us that the Face on Mars had, in fact, been discovered by remote viewing in the early 1970s, long before the Viking mission. For various reasons he could not reveal the identity of the remote viewer in question, but in October 1998 we asked James Hurtak's Academy For Future Sciences about his supposed 'prediction' about a facelike feature on Mars that - according to [\[Graham\] Hancock](#) and Bauval — he had made in 1975. The reply was: 'Dr Hurtak shared his insights of "remote viewing" with Mr Harold Sherman'. [72] ... So although Hurtak himself may not have remote viewed the Face, the implication is that Harold Sherman did. This is interesting, because we do know that Sherman remote viewed Mars for SRI. ...

... There is no doubt that [Richard] Hoagland and Hurtak's work is directly driven by the Nine, but what of Hancock and Bauval's? Certainly, because it largely endorses Hoagland's work, *The Mars Mystery* is indirectly promoting the Nine - and to a much wider audience. ... Researchers and writers who promote specific ideas that fuel this belief system — including Robert Bauval and Graham Hancock with their lost civilisations of 10,500 BCE; Robert Temple and his apparently scholarly version of the ancient astronaut theory; Richard

*Hoagland, who evangelises about the alleged Mars/Giza connection; and [Whitley Strieber](#), with his lessons from the Grey aliens. We have shown how all of these writers use each other's ideas in support of their own, and consequently not only do they reinforce each other, but the end result is that one large, consistent picture emerges. This is despite the fact that the arguments are often built on very shaky foundations. ...*

*[Robert Temple's](#) *The Sirius Mystery* was inspired by [Arthur M. Young](#), who was present at the initial contact with the Nine in 1953. Young's own inspiration came from Harry Smith, a high-ranking member of one of Aleister Crowley's magickal orders in which extraterrestrial intelligences, Sirius, Mars and ancient Egypt were the great pillars of their beliefs. The Nine's communications, particularly in the initial stages, seem to continue those of Alice A. Bailey, of which James Hurtak's *The Keys of Enoch* is essentially an update. Hurtak has been the prime mover in the Face on Mars debate and in the New Egyptology, and *The Keys of Enoch* comes from the Council of Nine. ...*

*Aleister Crowley's 'Aiwass' communications, which began in 1904, led to his creation (or perhaps reformation) of the Argenteum Astrum, his magickal order that laid great emphasis on Sirius. In postwar California, Aiwass and the 'Secret Chiefs' (nonhuman intelligences) of the A.A. came to be identified as extraterrestrial rather than occult entities. Then began a tortuous, but undeniable, chain of influence: a member of the Californian A.A., Harry Smith, became an acknowledged influence on Arthur M. Young - Puharich's 'second-in-command' at the Round Table Foundation in the 1950s - who directly inspired the writing of *The Sirius Mystery* by Robert Temple. This book has, in turn, been extremely influential on the New Egyptology and the belief in extraterrestrial involvement in the origins of Egyptian (and other) civilisations. ...*

*Alice Bailey's 'Tibetan' communications are the most obvious precursor to those of the modern Council of Nine. Vinod's 1952 ["The Nine"] communications are virtually a continuation of Bailey's, just as [James] Hurtak's *The Keys of Enoch* is essentially an update of her work. Her career also began in the Theosophical Society, and the direct influence of Sirius and its inhabitants on Earth was a key part of the Tibetan's doctrine. ... Another prominent American Mason, who, as a student of Theosophy, was open to Bailey's ideas was Henry Wallace, who was a major backer of Puharich's Round Table Foundation. To clinch matters, Puharich is known to have studied the works of Alice Bailey shortly before beginning his research at the Round Table Foundation in the late 1940s. ... He admitted that his early experiments at the Round Table Foundation were inspired by reading the works of Alice Bailey*

[76] — and this was before his work with Dr Vinod. At the very least, this proves that Puharich was already aware of the Tibetan's teachings before his first contact with the Nine. ...

[J.J. Hurtak's] *The Keys of Enoch* draws on many ideas from the same esoteric milieu encompassing Crowley, Blavatsky, Schwaller de Lubicz and Alice Bailey. Hurtak, Blavatsky and Bailey all term the ultimate authority in the universe the Great White Brotherhood, although Hurtak has upgraded their domicile from somewhere in Tibet to somewhere in the galaxy. But, like Bailey, Hurtak refers to them as the 'Hierarchy'. And surely it is no coincidence that Hurtak's *The Keys of Enoch* gives precisely the same dates for the duration of Atlantis - 18,000-12,000 BCE - as Saint-Yves d'Alveydre, the founder of Synarchy. ...

Sir John R. Sinclair, in a 1984 book about Alice Bailey, finds the similarities between her stress on the significance of groups of nine and Schwaller de Lubicz's *Nine Principles* remarkable, illustrating these similarities by quoting from that bastion of the New Egyptology, [John Anthony West](#) [a huge supporter of Schwaller de Lubicz's bogus theories], in his *Serpent in the Sky*. [73] But there are other significant connections: Bailey and Puharich's communications reveal striking similarities that go much further, well beyond the realms of coincidence. The Masters in Bailey's system, although led by a being called the Lord of the World, who comes from a higher realm, are spiritually evolved human beings who have been 'promoted' to the Hierarchy, and who have been incarnated as the great names of religion and esotericism, such as the 'Master Jesus'. The Tibetan often used just their initials: the two Masters with leading roles in preparing the world for the final phase are known as the Master R and the Master M. [74] The representatives of the Nine who spoke through Dr Vinod called themselves 'R' and 'M'.<sup>75</sup> ..."

- ▶ Apart from his CIA, Army and apparent MKULTRA ties, over the years Puharich interacted with many elites:
  - ▶ At his Round Table Foundation and even beyond Puharich is known to have interacted with famous writer and psychedelic pioneer [Aldous Huxley](#), who in 1962 became a key influence in the founding of the [Esalen Institute](#). Puharich is known to have given one or more seminars at Esalen himself.
  - ▶ Bernfried Nügel and Jerome Meckler, 'Aldous Huxley Annual: Volume 10/11', p. 160: "AH: You mean Puharich... Yes, certainly. I've sat in his copper box and I did see one of his sensitives who had taken one of the mushrooms do an extraordinary performance in the box, (laughter) and it was probably also the mushroom that helped. DCW: Did he go back to the Egyptian Pharaohs? AH: Yes, he..."

*All that part I must say, I don't take much stock in, but there was something, I think, that undoubtedly ... these Faraday cages helped. ... [11] Andrija (Henry) Puharich (1918-1995). Researcher into the paranormal. In 1955, Huxley visited the Round Table Foundation in Glen Cove, Maine."*

- ▶ [puharich.nl/Bio/Resume.htm](http://puharich.nl/Bio/Resume.htm) (accessed: April 5, 2016): "*Served as a Symposium Panelist on: "The Human Potential" moderated by Aldous Huxley. Rancho La Puerta, Tecate, Mexico. June 27 through July 1, 1960. Mexico City, Mexico, June 27 through July 1, 1960."*
- ▶ Alice Astor, a daughter of John Jacob Astor IV and a sister of Vincent Astor (both leading [Pilgrims Society](#) members), was among his psi test subjects in Glen Cove in the 1950s.
- ▶ In 1960, soon after Wasson's Time magazine article and in the same period that Dr. Timothy Leary of the [Harvard Psychedelic Project](#) also visited, Puharich headed a 14-men research team to Oaxaca, Mexico, where Gordon Wasson first took his psychedelic mushrooms with shaman Maria Sabina, with whom Puharich also worked on occasion. The expedition was financed by the U.S. Army Chemical Corps at Edgewood Arsenal, the University of Washington and the Aluminum Company of America.
- ▶ Among Puharich's closest friends and associates at the Round Table Foundation and the [Esalen Institute's](#) lecture circuit was the Ira Einhorn, who in 1977 was arrested after authorities found out he had murdered his ex-girlfriend Holly Maddux and stuffed her body in a trunk at his home. In January 1981 he fled to Ireland over this case. Einhorn's lawyer actually was none other than Arlen Specter (Yale-educated; assistant counsel to the Warren Commission at the recommendation of Gerald Ford and one of the original promoters of the "single bullet theory"; later senator who publicly backed the Iraq War since October 2002) who initially guaranteed his bail, with Barbara Bronfman (the wife of Charles Bronfman, a brother of Edgar Bronfman Sr. worth several billion dollars, from 1961 to 1982) providing Einhorn with a "salary" of at least \$1,500 monthly in the 1981-1988 period after he had fled to Ireland to escape his murder trial. In 1988, while working with the authorities, Bronfman tipped Einhorn off that he was about to be arrested, allowing Einhorn to safely relocate to France under a false identity. Around this time it appears financial ties were cut. Barbara Bronfman actually remained a life-long friend/supporter of Puharich.
- ▶ January 28, 1995, Free Lance-Star, 'Mad scientists' fight for the their land: Heir's death leaves group's



future in doubt': *"Puharich died while still at Devotion. On Jan. 3, he had a heart attack and fell down a flight of stairs at the rustic house he had lived in for 15 years. ... Puharich's son, daughter and ex-wife flew in from the Netherlands. Others came from Florida and Israel. Uri Geller, the Israeli pop psychic, sent his best wishes in a note. So did Barbara Bronfman, the ex-wife of an heir to the Seagram's fortune."*

- ▶ December 17, 1988, Philadelphia Enquirer, 'Friend Of A Friend Warned Einhorn, Swedish Policy Say': *"The Swedish officials said, however, that Bronfman cut off ties to Einhorn and stopped sending him money after reading a new book, The Unicorn's Secret by Steven Levy. The book reported that Einhorn, who professes to be nonviolent, had abused previous girlfriends and then celebrated his actions in poetry. This fall, Swedish officials said, Bronfman began to cooperate with the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, which had been trying to track down Einhorn since he fled in January 1981 just before his murder trial. The officials said Bronfman provided Philadelphia authorities with an address in Stockholm where Einhorn was living with a woman named Annika Flodin. Philadelphia authorities conveyed the information to Swedish police by way of Interpol with a request for Einhorn's arrest. The day before Swedish detectives knocked on the door of the central Stockholm apartment where Einhorn was living, Bronfman's boyfriend telephoned Einhorn, Swedish officials said, and warned him that she had begun to cooperate with the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office. The boyfriend's apparent motive, the authorities said, was to ease Bronfman's distress for having talked to Philadelphia officials about Einhorn's life on the run. The Swedish authorities said Bronfman had been a close friend to Einhorn since the 1970s and shared his interest in psychic phenomena. Bronfman, the authorities said, had been providing Einhorn with financial aid since he became a fugitive. After receiving the Oct. 29 tip-off call, Einhorn apparently arranged a fight with Flodin and abruptly left the apartment. ... Swedish officials said Einhorn had been living in Stockholm off and on for about six months since meeting Flodin, 37, a former shop clerk, in England earlier this year. ... Flodin had been interviewed by Swedish police. She was described as being distraught to learn that Einhorn, who was*



using the name Ben Moore, was wanted for murder in the United States [but later joined Einhorn in France]. ... Einhorn apparently moved in with Flodin about the time Bronfman stopped sending him money. Swedish authorities believe Einhorn may be in some financial difficulty for the first time since fleeing to Europe, although he is also thought to receive financial support from a woman in England."

- June 23, 1997, Philadelphia Enquirer, "Tracking The Blood Money: Ira's Early Patrons Well-known, But Financing In France Is Fuzzy": *"Ira Einhorn, captured in France June 13, certainly did not squander cash on suits, shoes or soap during 16 years as a fugitive. But the guru's comfortable life on the lam begs a question of finances... Before vanishing, he had a reputation in Philadelphia for coaxing money from friends, admirers, even corporations, although he never seemed to held a job. In southwestern France, Einhorn followed habits of a lifetime, apparently living off family money from his Swedish-born wife, Annika Flodin. His support has depended on a mix of adoring women and shadowy benefactors fascinated by his theories. In Ireland in the early days of flight, it was fat checks from Canadian Barbara Bronfman, who married into the wealth of the Seagram liquor dynasty. Hank Harrison, a California counterculture author who hung out with Einhorn in Dublin, last week said he was "1 million percent certain" that Bronfman regularly sent Einhorn money. "I saw bank statements," Harrison said. "He was getting funds wired to him every month from the Cayman Islands, and it was a lot of money. He was getting in Irish money about 1,000 pounds, which was about \$1,500 a month. You could live on that fairly comfortable in 1981." Investigators learned of the Bronfman connection a few years later, and they say it stopped a decade ago. ... At his capture, Einhorn and Flodin were living comfortably yet simply, growing vegetables and baking bread. They had hardly enough money to repair their car after paying 500,000 francs, or \$90,900, for a converted mill in Champagne-Mouton. Neither Einhorn nor flodin had a job, posing as Eugene Mallon, an English writer, cliamed to be writing books, but there's no proof he ever published. ... Einhorn spent almost two years in Philadelphia free on \$40,000 bail, guaranteed by his parents. An impressive list of academics, corporate execs, ministers and professionals testified to his*

good character and organized legal defense funds... The Levy documents show how Bronfman supported Einhorn from 1981, when he fled to Ireland, through 1988, when he was nearly captured at Flodin's house in Stockholm. ... DiBenedetto said he thought Einhorn had a powerful influence over Bronfman, but it was a brother-sister-type connection, not a sexual one. As for [then-girlfriend Jeanne] Morrison, Einhorn "had her working in a massage parlor" for household expenses, DiBenedetto says. The Daily News was unable to contact Bronfman, who lives in Montreal, and was unable to trace Morrison, who has returned to the United States and has married. ... Ex-prosecutor Murray said he noticed how successful Einhorn was in getting people to help him. At first, it was defense lawyer Arlen Specter's secretary who signed for the \$40,000 bail. Later Einhorn's parents put up their home as collateral. Einhorn's attorney Norris Gelman said the murderer's parents lost neither money nor property. It's not known if Bronfman or others paid the rest of the forfeited bail. ... Prosecutor Murray, for one, remains stumped. "How does a guy go from never working to paying for a chalet in France? How does the guy live?" "Someone was paying his freight. I've heard rumors, everything to him being a paid agent of the CIA..."

- ▶ Reports exist that Puharich supposedly was threatened with death by David Rockefeller and the oil companies if he would develop his plans for a car running on water any further. It's a very questionable claim, but it's possible that Puharich met David Rockefeller in his lifetime, especially considering David's brother Laurance Rockefeller was deeply involved in the [Esalen Institute](#), in which Puharich was also involved, and the fact that Puharich also played a role in Bechtel-controlled SRI.
- ▶ Puharich is the one who [brought over Uri Geller](#) from Israel to [SRI](#). Geller was a friend of Mossad chiefs, Israeli military intelligence heads, and prime ministers at the time.
- ▶ A picture exists of [Andrija Puharich meeting with Pope John Paul II](#).
- ▶ From 1980 until his death in January 1995, Puharich lived on the North Carolina-based estate of [Richard Reynolds III / Richard Joshua "Josh" Reynolds III / R.J. Reynolds III](#), heir to the tobacco fortune. In 1994 he was joined here by Elizabeth Rauscher (of the [Esalen Institute](#) and the Fundamental Physics Group) and Rauscher's husband William Van Bise to live and work here. Together they were publishing material through Reynolds' freshly-founded Full Sky Publishing (like *The Island*

*Papers* of 1994), when Reynolds suddenly died (age 60). Puharich died six months later, on January 3, 1995, and it appears Rauscher and her husband were evicted from the estate by Reynolds' lawyer because they were not included in his will, most likely because he died so young and suddenly. Important to note: At least one member of the Reynolds family has been a member of the [Pilgrims](#) and both the [Tides Foundation](#) and [Arca Foundation](#) were initially based on the Reynolds fortune.

- ▶ January 28, 1995, Free Lance-Star, 'Mad scientists' fight for the their land: Heir's death leaves group's future in doubt': *"DOBSON, N.C.--This is Devotion, the Surry County estate of the late tobacco heir R.J. Reynolds III. It was here Reynolds came to think and read, and where his ghost still seems to hover. It was where [Andrija] Puharich ... explored the outer limits of science--ESP and psychic research--and where he died earlier this month. The people who still live at Devotion [town] joke that they are "mad scientists." They say they loved and respected Reynolds and that he invited them to this rugged, isolated land in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Now, Norwood Robinson, a prominent Winston-Salem attorney, is trying to evict them. ... Reynolds, grandson of the founder of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco, helped support the scientists' research for 17 years. ... Reynolds was so generous, in 1980 he offered Andrija Puharich Sr. a refuge on his decaying country estate, about 100 miles north of Charlotte. In 1993, he invited two other scientists, Elizabeth Rauscher and William Van Bise, to move there, too. When Reynolds died on June 28, 1994, at age 60, he left no heirs. His wife, Marie Mallouk Reynolds, had died almost six months before. Reynolds' share in what was once his father's 11,000-acre estate went up for sale--and Robinson, the executor of his will, tried to evict Puharich, Rauscher and Van Bise. Puharich (pronounced POO-HA-RICK) died in the middle of the fight to stay. Rauscher and Van Bise refuse to leave without compensation. They've filed a \$40,000 claim against Reynolds' estate. "We have no income," says Rauscher. "We have no money to move. All we want, as the yuppies say, is to be made whole." ... Rauscher and Van Bise say Josh Reynolds invited them to the vacant estate to think and write, perhaps to live there until they retire. Van Bise is 63. Rauscher won't give here age. Her 25-page curriculum vitae says she has a Ph.D. in nuclear physics from the University of California at Berkeley and at least 33 years of experience in physics and biomedical engineering. ... "[This] is one of our inventions," says Van Bise secretively. What is it? Van*

Bise says it's a proto-board rigged to enhance extrasensory perception. "It's a psychic device based on engineering principles," he says. "It interacts with your thoughts and enhances them." ... Rauscher and Van Bise say they closed their Reno, Nev., lab in December 1993. They drove across country in a 23-foot U-Haul filled with computers, spectrum analyzers, oscillators and dozens of boxes... Van Bise's computer displays a psychedelic pattern--he says it's the electromagnetic signature of an earthquake. Reynolds' friends say he would have wanted these scientists to work in peace on his land. Reynolds, who lived in Southern Pines, founded Full Sky Publishing three years ago to showcase writings on poetry, art and science. "He absolutely invited them to come. They gave up their life out there to come," says Full Sky editor Barbara Penn, who met Reynolds about three years ago at a Southern Pines meditation class. ... In life Josh Reynolds [Richard Reynolds III] may have been enamored of the exotic, but the will he left after his death doesn't reflect it. The document, filed in Moore County and dated Nov. 3, 1993, makes no mention of Puharich, Rauscher or Van Bise. ... The will leaves Reynolds' estate to a trust fund to start the Richard J. Reynolds and Marie Mallouk Reynolds Foundation. The value of Reynolds' estate is still being appraised. It includes 1,500 acres at Devotion and 50 acres and a house at Southern Pines. To fund the foundation, the property must be sold. ... Some of Reynolds' friends believe Reynolds wrote codicils to the will that spell out other uses for his money. These friends say Reynolds--a lover of Eastern religions and a supporter of animal rights and environmental preservation--would never intend to leave the scientists homeless. "This will does not carry out any of his wishes," says New York artist Aymon de Roussy de Sales, who knew Reynolds for 40 years and was bequeathed \$10,000. "It's so contrary for everything the man stood for. I think it's an outrage what happened." Robinson, the lawyer, says he shouldn't be blamed for trying to evict the scientists. He's sorry Puharich, 76, died at Devotion. ... [He] stresses he is bound by law to uphold the will. ... Rauscher met Josh Reynolds in 1977 at a New York airport on the way to a scientific conference in Iceland. Led by Puharich, the conference explored the relationship between the mind and the physical universe. Afterward, they all became close friends as they struggled with the cosmic questions mostly ignored in the workaday world. Reynolds--who produced a film based on Herman Hesse's mystical novella, 'Siddharta,' and founded the Sufi Institute in New Mexico--decided he also wanted to

support Puharich's research into human and cosmic consciousness. When Reynolds started Full Sky Publishing, he invited Rauscher and Van Bise to live at Devotion. The first project was publishing the proceedings from the 1977 conference. They called them "The Iceland Papers." In late 1993, as Rauscher and Van Bise prepared to move east, Reynolds' wife fell gravely ill. Marie Reynolds died of ovarian cancer on Jan. 7, 1994. To some of his friends, who had been isolated from him for months, Reynolds' death came as a surprise. The surprise was compounded by his will, which seemed to ignore not only the scientists but also his other old friends. "I don't understand how a man all of this life can support certain causes and then at his death have it effectively stopped," [Barbara] Penn [of Full Sky Publishing] says. "Wherever he is, Josh Reynolds is spinning." Puharich died while still at Devotion. On Jan. 3, he had a heart attack and fell down a flight of stairs at the rustic house he had lived in for 15 years. ... Puharich's son, daughter and ex-wife flew in from the Netherlands. Others came from Florida and Israel. Uri Geller, the Israeli pop psychic, sent his best wishes in a note. So did Barbara Bronfman, the ex-wife of an heir to the Seagram's fortune."

► [puharich.nl/Bio/Resume.htm](http://puharich.nl/Bio/Resume.htm) (accessed: April 5, 2016): "Army specialized training program 1942-1946 at Northwestern University Medical school... Captain, MC. Chief, Outpatient Service, United States Army dispensary, Army Chemical Center, Maryland 1953 to 1955 [Edgewood Arsenal]. Specialized duties in chemical and biological warfare. ... Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York Microelectronics, 1962-1963. ...

MEMBER: ....

- Mycological Society of San Francisco, 1959. ...

- American Society for Cybernetics, 1967. ...

CURRENT ACTIVITIES: ...

- Vice President, Planetary Association for Clean Energy...

SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION:

Mexico: Head of fourteen man expedition into Chatino Country of Oaxaca, Mexico, during the summer of 1960. Sponsored by the United States Army Chemical Corps, the University of Washington and the Aluminum Company of America. Purpose: to collect hallucinogenic botanicals. A documentary film was shown on the ABC network.

- Hawaii: Made a survey of the Hawaiian Islands during March and April, 1961, and discovered the first hallucinogenic mushrooms ever found in the Islands. ...

- Brazil: Field study in Congonhas do Campo, Minas Gerais, Brazil, during the month of August, 1963. Sponsored by the Belk Research Foundation, Miami, Florida, for the purpose of studying primitive surgical technique, plant and drug usage

*for healing by a native, Arigo. ...*

*1958 TO MAY 1961 (CONTINUED):*

*- Served as a Symposium Panelist on: "The Human Potential" moderated by Aldous Huxley. Rancho La Puerta, Tecate, Mexico. June 27 through July 1, 1960. Mexico City, Mexico, June 27 through July 1, 1960. ...*

*- Left private practice to help found Inteltron Corporation. Moved from Carmel, California to Ossining, New York, August, 1961. ... SPECIAL AREAS OF INTEREST AND EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED):*

*Israel: Field research in Israel, August, 1971 - November, 1971 to April, 1972 on Mr. Uri Geller.*

*Mexico: Field research on a curandera, Pachita. Head of a 6 man team investigating human organ transplants. ...*

*1948 TO 1958:*

*Except for a two-year leave of absence for military duty (1953-55) held the position of Director of Research, Round Table Foundation, Glen Cove, Maine. Founded this non-profit foundation. Principal duties were to plan and carry out animal and human research programs, supervise a staff of technicians which usually averaged eight in number over the years, and to raise funds through grants and contracts. 1948 to 1952 was almost entirely devoted to animal research. ...*

*[MILITARY] PUBLICATIONS...:*

*9. A critique of the possible usefulness of extrasensory perception in Psychological Warfare. Paper presented to a Seminar on Psychological Warfare. Department of Defense, Washington, D.C., November 23, 1952.*

*10. Researches in decreasing or increasing telepathy. Paper presented at The Aviation School of Medicine USAF, Randolph Field, Texas. March 16, 1953.*

*11. A Physical Technique for Amplifying Telepathy. Paper presented at a Department of Chemistry Seminar, December 4, 1953. Armour Research Foundation, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Ill.*

*12. Biochemical foundations for extrasensory perception. Paper presented at the Medical Research Laboratory Seminar, April 20, 1954. United States Army Chemical Corps, Army Chemical Center, Edgewood, Maryland.*

- ▶ June 3, 1995, Philadelphia Inquirer, 'Arthur M. Young, 89, Pioneer In Development Of Helicopter': "Arthur M. Young, 89, an inventor from the Main Line who invented the part that makes helicopters safe to fly, died Tuesday at his home in Berkeley, Calif. ... For a time he was head of the Round Table Foundation in Camden, Maine, an institute involved in psychic research. In 1952, he founded the Foundation for the Study of Consciousness, and began publishing the Journal for the Study of Consciousness. In 1973, he established the Institute for the Study of Consciousness in Berkeley.. He

wrote one other book, *Bell Notes*, a diary on his creation of the *Bell helicopter*."

- ▶ 2011, Dr. Edgar Mitchell (of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#), [SRI International](#) and the [Esalen Institute](#)), 'Psychic Exploration: A Challenge for Science' (digital): *"Henry (Andrija) K. Puharich: Dr. Puharich earned his medical degree in 1947 at Northwestern University. From 1948 to 1958 he was director of research at the Round Table Foundation in Glen Cove, Maine, where he conducted many original experiments in psychic research. He then spent 13 years in medical electronics research and holds more than 60 U.S. and foreign patents. In 1968 Dr. Puharich led a team of six doctors and eight paramedical specialists to Brazil for a study of the psychic healer Arigo. In addition to more than three dozen professional, Dr. Puharich is author of The Sacred Mushroom (Doubleday, 1959) and Beyond Telepathy..."*
- ▶ 2003, Gary Lachman, 'Turn Off Your Mind: The Mystic Sixties and the Dark Side of the Age of Aquarius', pp. 156-158: *"In the early fifties, Puharich, funded by the US government, researched the effects of LSD on ESP potential. He discovered that in the early stages of a trip, subjects had increased capacity for telepathy and other psi-phenomena. Then, in 1959, he published a book, The Sacred Mushroom: Key to the Door of Eternity. In it he tells the story of a Dutch sculptor, the aptly named Harry Stone. Looking at an ancient Egyptian pendant, Stone fell into a trance, drew hieroglyphics, and spoke of a past life in ancient Egypt. Puharich had the hieroglyphics checked by an expert: they proved genuine, coming from the time of pharaoh Snefru, who reigned from 2614 to 2591 BC, and was followed by his son, Cheops, supposedly responsible for the Great Pyramid. 'Ra Ho Tep', the source of the hieroglyphics, was a high priest of Snefru; the hieroglyphics also spoke of Snefru's wife, Nefert. Puharich had this information checked a well: it too proved accurate. Puharich supervised several other trances with Stone, some of which involved the sculptor being housed in a Faraday cage. In these he delivered more cryptic messages about life in ancient Egypt; significantly he spoke of an unknown cult of the sacred mushroom, of which there is no mention in the historical record. During one session, another acquaintance of Puharich, Alice Bouverie [Alice Astor], fell into a trance. In an eerie voice she spoke of a past life in ancient Syria, and went on to inform Puharich that the mushroom in question was Amanita muscara, the fly agaric of Wasson's Siberian shamans. Bouverie was part of a strange telepathic experiment, involving Wasson's curandera, Maria Sabina. Via a Ouija board, they contacted Maria Sabina, while she herself was in a mushroom trance in Mexico. She told them where a*

*specimen of the sacred mushroom could be found nearby. The seance took place in Maine, not an area known for producing Amanita muscara. In the records of the mycological society of New England there was only one other instance of it appearing. Nevertheless, Puharich decided to take her seriously and, against all the odds, the sacred mushroom was there, where she said it would be.*

*Puharich believed Stone knew little of Ancient Egypt, and certainly wasn't fluent in the language. he became convinced someone wanted the existence of the secret cult to become known. ... During one trance, with Huxley present, Stone demanded a mushroom. He brought it to his tongue and then to the top of his head; his gestures made it clear that this was part of some forgotten ritual. After the trance, Huxley and Puharich tested Stone for ESP. He was one hundred per cent accurate. He could even tell Huxley and Puharich what was behind a brick wall. In an amusing letter to Eileen Garrett, Huxley describes the scene in Puharich's household. Huxley writes of different telepaths and mediums busily trying to pick up the vibes, Puharich's modern scientific methods of reproducing shamanistic states of 'travelling clairvoyance', and Narodny, the 'cockroach man', who devised experiments to test the effect of ESP on insect.*

*After his adventures with Harry Stone, Puharich produced a solid work on experimental parapsychology, Beyond Telepathy (1962)."*

- ▶ 2013, Jonathan Margolis, 'The Secret Life of Uri Geller: CIA Masterspy?': *"Uri spent much of his time in 1970 considering whether and how he might give a part of himself to science. It was no small matter that his show business career in Israel was beginning to fade to black at this time. 'I started ebbing away in Israel,' he acknowledges. 'My performances had a limit. I could do telepathy. I could bend a spoon. I could warp rings. I could hypnotize a little. And that's where it ended. A magician could write new acts, get new magic, do new tricks. I couldn't because I wasn't a magician. I was amazed when I started seeing the auditoriums emptying on me. 1971 was as incredible for me as 1970 had been, but already I was being attacked and questioned. 1972 was when I was over and out. ... I started being booked into discotheques and nightclubs, underground, smoky places, with dancing and striptease and clowns, jugglers and acrobats. I was suddenly just another act. [note: doesn't mention that his popularity began to fade rapidly when his "gifts" didn't work on a major Israeli TV show and he walked out] ... In Chapter 1, we met the unconventional Serbian-American medical doctor and physicist, Andrija Puharich, who came to Tel Aviv in 1971 to gain some initial scientific perspective on Uri Geller as a precursor to him possibly coming for formal laboratory testing*



*in the US. Puharich was a friend of the Moon-walking Apollo astronaut, Edgar Mitchell, and it was officially on behalf of Mitchell's own research institute that Puharich was in Israel. In reality, Uri was being previewed, one might put it, by the CIA. Puharich claimed that he had worked for the Agency before, in 1948, on a US Navy initiative, 'Project Penguin' to test individuals said to possess psychic powers. Andrija Puharich proved to be both a blessing and a curse for Geller. There is no doubt that it was because of Puharich that Uri came to America and embarked on the extraordinary period which led to him featuring in the leading scientific journals of the day, having private meetings with a president, spooking a bunch of nuclear scientists to badly they quit their jobs, becoming friends with a group as diverse as John Lennon, Salvador Dali and Muhammad Ali--and undertaking psychic missions for the CIA and the FBI. However, it was also under the Svengali-like spell of Puharich that Uri became immersed in a world so weird that it would be an extravagantly gift-wrapped present to his sceptical detractors. But at least he escaped the fate of a previous 'project' of Puharich, an environmental activist and peacenik called Ira Einhorn who became a notorious murderer and fugitive from justice.*

- ▶ 1989, CSICOP's Skeptical Enquirer, p. 17: *"Einhorn and Puharich were buddies, both persuaded that Uri's spoon-bending powers would revolutionize physics. "Ira Einhorn's imagination helped to formulate this book," Puharich wrote on the acknowledgment page..."*
- ▶ September 1999, issue 126, Fortean Times, 'Plan Nine From Outer Space': Recaps the story told in the 1999 book *The Stargate Conspiracy*.
- ▶ 2007, Jeffrey Kripal, 'Esalen: America and the Religion of No Religion' (digital): *"Session with Jenny O'Connor Channelling the Nine, with Maurica Anderson and Dick Price, Wednesday, April 28,, 1982, At South Coast, Esalen." Typescript, no author, Esalen Archives."*
- ▶ 2004, Walter Truett Anderson, 'The Upstart Spring: Esalen and the Human Potential Movement', pp. 302-305: *"At the time, a young Englishwoman named Jenny O'Connor was more or less a permanent fixture at Esalen. Betty Fuller, a tireless seeker after new truths, had discovered her. Jenny was a psychic. [p. 303 unavailable] It was the most sudden organizational upheaval Esalen had ever undergone. Some saw Jenny O'Connor as a female Rasputin, wielding extraordinary power over the Esalen management. ... Jenny and the Nine continued to be a part of Esalen, listed among the program leaders in the back of the catalogue. ... Esalen was democratic in many ways, but its authority structure was essentially feudal. If Price wanted to use a psychic as a management consultant, nobody could stop him--nobody*

except Murphy, and Murphy and Price never crowded one another. So Price never felt particularly pressured to justify his interest in Jenny O'Connor or to explain precisely what he thought of her. He described it as a research project in paranormal intelligence [and was interested] in the story of the Nine. ... So Price followed his interests, and Murphy followed his."

- ▶ 2005, Rafi Zabor, 'I Wabenzi: A Souvenir', p. 159: "[Hakki Bey] was the only person of my generation I really trusted on difficult, essential things. When he wasn't wholly nuts at least. ... It was never clear to me just how he ran into Uri Geller and Andrija Puharich, but when I came back from Turkey in '76 he, Shareen and the newborn smiling butterball of Rabia--born, of course, with a perfect five-pointed star inscribed by nature on the sole of each foot--were living in Puharich's house in Ossining, New York, a big white colonial job called Lab Nine that was chocked with physics and mediums busy tuning into extraterrestrials who regularly beamed them. Hakki told me excitedly [of] the larger physics, including the immaterial orders, of the United Field Theory: the whole bandwidth of being, the entire sine-wave curve of which humans with their limited sensory and intellectual apparatus... I'd visited Lab Nine once on a drive down from Woodstock with my friend Sara and I'd thought Hakki was overawed by the physics. ... Silverware, [Hakki said], was spontaneously bending all over the place, a full-grown oak had appeared overnight in someone's backyard, Uri Geller had dematerialized from midtown Manhattan one afternoon and rematerialized twelve feet in the air above Lab Nine's porch: when he fell through the porch roof, scattering shingles and landing ass-backward on the loveseat, everyone in the house thought the boiler had exploded and we all ran outside: Oh, hi Uri. What are you doing there?"
- ▶ February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': "Andrija Puharich M.D. worked for Army Intelligence in the early fifties and wrote one of the first studies on psychedelic drugs. Puharich was Geller's case officer in America with money provided by Sir John Whitmore. Ira Einhorn [murderer and Bronfman agent] worked closely with Andrija Puharich as well as with Esalen's Michael Murphy and George Leonard. ... It was the night before the first Birkbeck test of Uri Geller [at SRI in the early 1970s]. Brendan [O. Regan of IONS and SRI] was visibly nervous. He asked me to go with him to see the Soviet science fiction film 'Solaris'. Brendan had mentioned that Olaf Stapledon's science fiction story 'Star Maker', about a time traveling super-intelligence, was based upon real experiences that a high member of British Intelligence [1] had in the nineteen thirties. The big day arrived. Arthur C. Clarke [2] was

there with a high official from Rolls Royce. Arthur Koestler [3] was also there along with John Hasted [4], David Bohm and a few others. These events have been described by Martin Gardner [5] and I will not discuss them here. What happened after the tests is more important. If I remember correctly, Brendan and I went with Uri to his hotel room where I met Andrija Puharich [6], Sir John Whitmore and, perhaps, Ira Einhorn [7]. I could be wrong about Einhorn [8]. I startled Uri by asking him if he could trigger a nuclear weapon by psychokinesis. I later found out from Ron Mc Rae [9] that some of our intelligence people were greatly concerned about that possibility. I may have initiated that concern because I had mentioned it several times to large groups of people at several meetings. ... We flew to New York. Sharon and I spent a few days with Uri Geller, Ira Einhorn, Bob Toben, Sir John Whitmore and Andrija Puharich at Puharich's large house in Ossining. Puharich gave me his book 'URI'. I did not have time to read it but I gave it to my mother in Brooklyn a few days later. My mother was reading the book [12] when she suddenly exclaimed: "Jacky, Jacky, this is what happened to you!" "What happened to me? What are you talking about Ma?" "The computer in the flying saucer that called you on the telephone when you were a little boy. Don't you remember when you got all those phone calls?" An electric shock went through me -- I only remember one phone call. "What do you mean phone calls? I only got one call." "No you didn't! Jacky, what's the matter with you? You got three weeks of these crazy calls. ... I started to spend a lot of time at the [Francis Ford] Coppola's house. I introduced them to Uri Geller and to Einhorn's friend, French UFO scientist Jacques Vallee. ... Carter met Uri Geller on a State Visit to the President of Mexico. Geller fooled Carter like he fooled me, Bohm and Hasted. An intelligence friend of mine told me that Geller was having an affair with the wife of the President of Mexico at the time. I had been contacted by an American intelligence agent for an evaluation of Geller before Carter made the trip as part of the security for the trip. ... "

### Stanford Research Institute / SRI International

- Founded in 1946. Home of the remote viewing program, but very elite leadership. The Bechtels in particular had very close ties to CIA heads as Allen Dulles, former Bechtel partner John McCone (also to be found at SRI early on) and Richard Helms and many other government officials, such as Bechtel employees secretary of state George Shultz and defense secretary Caspar Weinberger.
- Throughout the 1970s the [JASON Group](#) was located at SRI,

after which it moved to MITRE.

► Sources for elite leadership of SRI over the years:

- 1957, Stanford Research Institute, 'Report of Operations':  
*"Board of Directors: Mr. S. D. Bechtel [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay] ... John A. McCone [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay] ..."*
- 1960, Public Power, Volume 18, p. 11: *"Mr. [John] McCone [future CIA director] became chairman of AEC in 1958 after a career in shipbuilding and cargo ship operation in California. An engineer, Mr. McCone is a director of Stanford Research Institute, a trustee of the California Institute of Technology [Caltech], and a regent of Loyola University in Los Angeles."*
- 1967, Senate Select Committee on Small Business, 'Regional export expansion', p. 455: *"SRI Board Committee: Stephen D. Bechtel [Bohemian Grove] ... Paul L. Davies [Bohemian Grove], Senior Partner, Lehman Brothers ... Edgar F. Kaiser [Bohemian Grove], President, Kaiser Industries Corporation; David Packard [chair Hewlett Packard and Packard Foundation; Bohemian Grove camp Silverado Squatters] ... Edmund W. Littlefield [Bohemian Grove]..."*
- 1972, issue 12, journal of the Stanford Research Institute/SRI International, pp. 43-46: *"SRI INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE: Charles A. Anderson, President, Stanford Research Institute; Stephen D. Bechtel [Bohemian Grove; 1001 Club], Senior Director, Bechtel Corporation; S. Clark Beise, President (Retired), Bank of America, N.T. & S.A.; Edward W. Carter, President, Broadway-Hale Stores, Inc.; Paul L. Davies [Jr.; Bohemian Grove camp Peidmont; brother-in-law of Stephen Bechtel Jr. and uncle of Riley Bechtel.], Senior Partner, Lehman Brothers; Gwin Follis, Past Chairman Standard Oil Company of California; Weldon B. Gibson [Bohemian Grove camp Rough 'n Ready], Executive Vice President and President, SRI International, Stanford Research Institute; Fred L. Hartley [Bohemian Grove; Rockwell; Unocal], President Union Oil Company of California; Edgar F. Kaiser [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay], Chairman of the Board Kaiser Industries Corporation; E. W. Littlefield [Bechtel; Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay; Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences], Chairman of the Board Utah Construction & Mining Co.; D.J. Russell, Chairman Southern Pacific Company; Gardiner Symonds [Bohemian Grove], Chairman of the Board Tenneco Inc. ... SRI INTERNATIONAL ADVISERS: Kamel Abdul Rahman, Chairman The Consolidated Contractors Co. S.A.L. (Lebanon) [founder CCC with the Khoury brothers, all Palestinians living in exile in Lebanon (came to know and work with Arafat, Mahmoud Abbas, Rafik Hariri, Nursultan Nazarbayev, etc.); subcontractor of Bechtel since the early 1960s for pipelines, oil fields and residential buildings in Kuwait, Libya, Saudi Arabia (partnered with Prince Talal bin Abdul-Aziz, a brother of the*

Saudi king and father of billionaire investor Prince Alwaleed bin Talal), Iraq (Iraq Petroleum Company; build the Abu Graib prison later used by Saddam) and Iran (Anglo-American Oil Company)]; Giovanni Agnelli [1001 Club; Bilderberg steering committee], President FIAT, S.p.A (Italy); Ignacio Herrero Garralda, Marquis de Aledo, Presidente Union Explosivos Rio Tinto, S.A. (Spain) [1913-1999; director since 1931, president 1961-1995, honorary chair since 1995 of the family bank Banco Herrero; director Unión Espanola de Explosivos][1913-1999; director since 1931, president 1961-1995, honorary chair since 1995 of the family bank Banco Herrero; director Unión Espanola de Explosivos]; Paulo Ayres Filho, President Instituto Pinheiros, Produtos Terapeuticos, S.A. (Brazil) [1977, Jan Knippers Black, 'United States Penetration of Brazil', pp. 82-85: "The Institute of Research and Social Studies (Instituto de Pesquisas e Estudos Sociais--IPES) was formally established in 1961, largely through the efforts of Paulo Ayres Filho and Gilbert Huber, Jr. Ayers ... had been strongly influenced in the early 1950s by the Foundation for Economic Education in Irvington-on-Hudson, New York, which had proselytized for limited government and free enterprise. ... Ayres, who (according to a sympathetic account in Fortune magazine) tended to apply the term "Communism" to a broad spectrum of political thought: ... student groups, labor unions... The sources and extent of funding for IPES remain something of a mystery. .... Rojas maintained that of the 398 firms in Rio and Sao Paulo listed by IPES as contributors, 297 were actually "North American firms with Brazilian names." ... Niles Bond confirmed to this author that many of the IPES businessmen were associated with U.S. firms. ... IPES, like IBAD, had hired a network of retired military officers to exert influence on those on active duty... "; March 2, 2014, Operamundi (Brazil), 'Elite econômica que deu golpe no Brasil tinha braços internacionais, diz historiadora' ('Coup of Brazil's economic elite has had international assistance, says historian'): " ... the Instituto de Pesquisas e Estudos Sociais [IPES; Institute of Research and Social Studies], an organization founded with the goal of defending "free enterprise" and the "market economy", but in practice worked as a meeting place for conservative academics, entrepreneurs and military officers bent on destabilizing the government of Joao Goulart (1961-1964). ... Paul Ayres Filho, a staunch anticommunist and a founder of IPES. ... "Important characters of the Latin American business community were somehow involved with Americans," says Martina. ... [There exist] correspondences of a "quite personal nature, and even intimate", between Ayres Filho and David Rockefeller... In 1963, a New York-based event [brought] together 67 businessmen from 11 countries of the continent. On occasion, five Brazilian executives - almost all of the important leaders of IPES - were able to establish contact with the upper echelons of U.S. politics and the economy. Paul Ayres Filho was one of them. Not by coincidence, one of the favorite themes of the Americans at the meeting was a discussion of the Alianca para o Progresso. ... David [Rockefeller] and his brother Nelson ... were two of the biggest enthusiasts of the Alianca para o Progresso, ... an anticommunist program for regional integration carried out by the U.S. at the height of the Cold War to fight against what its proponents termed the "Cubanization" of the continent." ... April 4, 2014, Controversia (Brazil), 'Ditadura & Grandes Empresários: outro caso emblemático': "The involvement of major chemical, pharmaceutical and plastic industries supporting the coup of April 1964 is now abundantly proved. The excellent documentary "Cidadao Boilesen", released in 2009 and directed by filmmaker Chaim Litewski shows the structuring and financing of Sao Paulo businessmen and bankers of OBAN (Operacao Bandeirantes), an investigative and torture center set up by the Brazilian Army in 1969 to combat leftist organizations... The

OBAN signified repressive power controlled and funded directly by the owners of capital ... and executed by uniformed agents of the State [and] CIA... Military and paramilitary groups, sadistically, used to accompany torture sessions in OBAN. ... According to Elio Gaspari, in his book "The blatant dictatorship," the first meeting organized to raise funds for OBAN was convened by Delfim Netto, then Minister of Finance, and with the participation of 15 entrepreneurs and bankers, as Gaston Bueno Vidigal, owner of the Mercantile Bank of St. Paul, who was also president of the club Paulistano. There, on Thursdays, used to promote business lunches and often invited Delfim Netto to present analyzes of economic conditions. At the end of the lecture, donation for OBAN were collected. Pery Igel, owner of Grupo Ultra and patron of Boilesen, certainly was one of the leading financiers of OBAN, alongside Paul Ayres Filho, owner of Pine Pharmaceutical, and executives of U.S. automakers Ford and General Motors."]; Sir Mobolaji Bank-Archibald Forbes [owned tanker fleet and a charter airline], Chairman Borini-Prono & Company (Nigeria [important oil country]) Limited; Andres Boulton, ..... A. H. Estehaj, Chairman & President, Iranian's Bank (Tehran); Nejat F. Eczacebaji, Chairman of the Board, Eczacibaji, Ilac Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S. (Turkey); Resid Serif Egeli, General manager, Industrial Development Bank, Bank of Turkey; Goran Ehrnrooth, Chairman Executive Committee of the Supervisory Board Ab Nordiska Foreningsbanken (Finland) Amirali H. Fancy, Chairman Industrial Managements Ltd. (Pakistan) Abdol Ali Farmanfarmaian, Chairman and President Pars Oil Company (Iran) Carlos Ferreyros R., Chairman Enrique Ferreyros y Cia. S.A. (Peru); J. C. Fletcher Holdings Limited (New Zealand); Sir Archibald Forbes [executive Pilgrims Society], Chairman, Midland Bank Limited (England); Abraham Friedmann [U.S. Israel Business Council], Managing Director, The Israel Central Trade & Investment Co. Ltd.; ... Emmett Harmon, Director, Claratown Engineers, Ltd. (Liberia); Georg Heberlein, Chairman Heberlein Holding AG (Switzerland); Wilhelm Hendricks, Mitglied des Vorstandes Allgemeinen Warentreuhand Aktiengesellschaft (Austria); A. R. Horton, President Bank of Liberia; Taizo Ishizaka, Counsellor Tokyo Shibaura Electric Co., Ltd. (Japan); Yoshizane Iwasa, Chairman The Fuji Bank, Limited (Japan) Axel Ax:son Johnson, President Rederiaktiebolaget Nordstjernan (Johnson Line) (Sweden); Nik A. Kamil, Chairman, Rothmans of Pall Mall (Malaysia) [1001 Club]; Adnan M. Khashoggi, President, Triad Corporation (Saudi Arabia); S. L. Kirloskar, Chairman, Kirloskar Oil Engines Limited (India) [1001 Club]; G. S. J. Kuschke, Managing Director, Industrial Development Corporation of South America Limited; Ahmad Ladjevardi, President, Behshahr Industrial Group (Iran); Baron Lambert, Chairman Banque Lambert (Belgium); Edmond Lanier, President, Compagnie Generale Transatlantique (France); Luis G.



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- ▶ 1984, SRI International, 'Report of Operations', pp. 30-31: "SRI INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS: ... H. J. Haynes [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay; chair Chevron; director Boeing], Chairman of the Board, SRI ... Roy A. Anderson [CEO Lockheed] ... Samuel H. Armacost [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay] ... B. F. Biaggini [Bohemian Grove] ... A. W. Clausen [Bohemian Grove camp Hill Billies] ... Myron Du Bain [Bohemian Grove camp Midway], President, Amfac; Philip Hawley [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay], Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Carter Hawley Hale Stores, Inc. ... Edgar F. Kaiser, Jr. [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay] ... E. W. Littlefield [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay, Edgehill and Rattlers; Bechtel; GE; Chrysler; HP] ... Frederick W. Mielke, Jr. [Bohemian Grove camp Toyland; chair PG&E] ... William J. Perry, Jr. [known speech at the Bohemian Grove in 1997] ... Carl E. Reichardt [Bohemian Grove camp Mandalay; chair Wells Fargo; vice chair Ford; director PG&E] ... Directors Emeriti: S. D. Bechtel ... Edward W. Carter [Bohemian Grove camp Owl's Nest]..."
- ▶ September 2005, 'Caltech Catalog', section six, Trustees, Administration, Faculty, p. 507: "Senior Trustees (with date of first election and date of election as Senior Trustee) ... Bobby R. Inman (1989, 2003) ... Life Trustees (with date of first election and date of election as Life Trustee): Robert Anderson (1975, 2002), Chairman Emeritus Rockwell International Corporation; Robert O. Anderson (1967, 1989), Chairman and CEO (Retired) Atlantic Richfield Company; Stephen D. Bechtel, Jr. (1967, 1997), Chairman Emeritus and Director Bechtel Group, Inc. ... William R. Gould (1978, 2001), Chairman Emeritus Southern California Edison Co.; Philip M. Hawley (1975, 1997), President P. M. Hawley, Inc.; Robert S. McNamara (1969, 1988) ... Ruben F. Mettler (1969, 1995), Chairman



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► A few additional names: 1992-1993, 'Caltech Catalog', section six, Trustees, Administration, Faculty, pp. 331-334: *"Trustees (with date of first election) ... Thomas H. Cruikshank (1991), Chairman and CEO Halliburton Company ... Frank G. Wells (1989), President and COO The Walt Disney Company; Albert D. Wheelon (1987), Chairman and CEO (Retired) Hughes Aircraft Company. ... Life Trustees: ... Lew R. Wasserman (1971, 1987) Chairman and CEO MCA Inc. ... Jet Propulsion Laboratory Committee [JPL Oversight Committee]- ... B.R. Inman..."*

► The CIA's SCANATE / Project Stargate remote viewing program was carried out at SRI from 1972 to 1975 and after that was taken over by the Air Force and primarily the DIA until 1995. Until 1991 the remote viewing program remained at SRI, after which, until its final shutdown in 1995, it was moved to SAIC. Most sources say SCANATE was started in 1970, but the fact is that the first remote viewer - Ingo Swann - wasn't recruited until mid 1972 and it was Swann who eventually came up with the idea of focusing on coordinates instead of an individual serving as a beacon (SCANATE stands for "Scan by Coordinate").

► [fas.org/irp/program/collect/stargate.htm](https://fas.org/irp/program/collect/stargate.htm) (accessed: April 11, 2016): *"This effort was initiated in response to CIA concerns about reported Soviets investigations of psychic phenomena. Between 1969 and 1971, US intelligence sources concluded that the Soviet Union was engaged in "psychotronic" research. By 1970, it was suggested that the Soviets were spending approximately 60 million rubles per year on it, and over 300 million by 1975. The money and personnel devoted to Soviet psychotronics suggested that they had achieved breakthroughs, even though the matter was considered speculative, controversial and "fringy."*

*The initial research program, called SCANATE [scan by coordinate] was funded by CIA beginning in 1970. Remote viewing research began in 1972 at the Stanford Research Institute [SRI] in Menlo Park, CA. This work was conducted by Russell Targ and Harold Puthoff, once with the NSA and at the time a Scientologist. The effort initially focused on a few "gifted individuals" such as New York artist Ingo Swann, an OT Level VII Scientologist. Many of the SRI "empaths" were from the Church of Scientology. Individuals who appeared to show potential were trained and taught to use talents for "psychic warfare." The minimum accuracy needed by the clients was said to be 65%, and proponents claim that in the*

later stages of the training effort, this accuracy level was "often consistently exceeded."

GONDOLA WISH was a 1977 Army Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (ACSI) Systems Exploitation Detachment (SED) effort to evaluate potential adversary applications of remote viewing.

Building on GONDOLA WISH, an operational collection project was formalized under Army intelligence as GRILL FLAME in mid-1978. Located in buildings 2560 and 2561 at Fort Meade, MD, GRILL FLAME, (INSCOM "Detachment G") consisted of soldiers and a few civilians who were believed to possess varying degrees of natural psychic ability. The SRI research program was integrated into GRILL FLAME in early 1979, and hundreds of remote viewing experiments were carried out at SRI through 1986.

In 1983 the program was re-designated the INSCOM CENTER LANE Project (ICLP). Ingo Swann and Harold Puthoff at SRI developed a set of instructions which theoretically allowed anyone to be trained to produce accurate, detailed target data. They used this new collection methodology against a wide range of operational and training targets. The existence of this highly classified program was reported by columnist Jack Anderson in April 1984.

In 1984 the National Academy of Sciences' National Research Council evaluated the remote viewing program for the Army Research Institute. The results were unfavorable.

When Army funding ended in late 1985, the unit was redesignated SUN STREAK and transferred to DIA's Scientific and Technical Intelligence Directorate, with the office code DT-S.

Under the auspices of the DIA, the program transitioned to Science Applications International Corporation [SAIC] in 1991 and was renamed STAR GATE. The project, changed from a SAP ([Special Access Program](#)) to a LIMDIS (limited dissemination) program, continued with the participation of Edwin May, who presided over 70% of the total contractor budget and 85% of the program's data collection.

Over a period of more than two decades some \$20 million were spent on STAR GATE and related activities, with \$11 million budgeted from the mid-1980's to the early 1990s. Over forty personnel served in the program at various times, including about 23 remote viewers. At its peak during the mid-1980s the program included as many as seven full-time viewers and as many analytical and support personnel. Three psychics were reportedly worked at FT Meade for the CIA from 1990 through July 1995. The psychics were made available to other government agencies which requested their services."

► Those involved at SRI in the [Special Access Program](#) for

remote viewing:

- ▶ **Hal Puthoff:** Program director of the CIA's remote viewing project. Also helped "study" [Uri Geller](#) here in the early 1970s, making the alleged Israeli psychic famous in the process. Later [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Russell Targ:** Program director of the CIA's remote viewing project. Also helped "study" [Uri Geller](#) here. Later [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Ingo Swann:** remote viewer. Later [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Joseph McMoneagle:** remote viewer. Later [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Ed Dames:** remote viewer. Later one of the easiest-to-spot [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) disinformers.
- ▶ Other 1970s-1990s employees:
  - ▶ **Uri Geller:** Alleged psychic. Later [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
  - ▶ **Edgar Mitchell:** Studied [Uri Geller](#) here in the early 1970s. Founder of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#). Later [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
  - ▶ **Jack Sarfatti:** Hired in 1974 to study Uri Geller at SRI. Member of the Fundamental Fysiks Group and deeply involved in the [Esalen Institute](#). Later [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest. In 1975 Sarfatti informed the media that he had been convinced of Geller's *"psycho-energetic ability"*. 2011, David Kaiser, 'How the Hippies Saved Physics', p. 72: *"Sarfatti wrote [in SRI press releases to the media]: 'My personal professional judgment as a PhD physicist is that Geller demonstrated genuine psycho-energetic ability at Birkbeck, which is beyond the doubt of any reasonable man, under relatively well controlled and repeatable experimental conditions.'"* Sarfatti rejected his stance after watching professional skeptic/debunker/magician James Randi perform some of the same tricks.
  - ▶ **David Bohm:** Studied/observed Uri Geller here in 1974-1975. Well-known for his holographic universe model, which he developed independently of the [Esalen Institute](#)'s Karl Pribram. Their theory is discussed in the 1991 cult classic *The Holographic Universe*. Along with Brendan O'Regan among the ones discussing their views on Geller in Nature magazine of April 10, 1975, pp. 470–471.
  - ▶ **Arthur C. Clarke:** Also present at SRI to observe Uri Geller bend four brass Yale keys and a 1 cm disk, affect a Geiger counter and deflect a compass needle.
  - ▶ **Arthur Hastings:** Consultant on remote viewing research at SRI International in the 1970s. Director Northern California Society for Clinical Hypnosis. President of the

Association for Transpersonal Psychology. Book review editor for the Journal of Transpersonal Psychology. Professor at the Institute of Transpersonal Psychology. Director of the William James Center for Consciousness Studies. Long-time member of the Parapsychological Association. Involved in the [Esalen Institute](#). Promoter of the psychomanteum technique. Critical of Uri Geller.

- ▶ **Brendan O'Regan:** Geller associate who helped study the psychic at SRI. Key player in Edgar Mitchell's [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#).
- ▶ **Willis Harman:** Director of the Educational Policy Research Center and the Center for the Study of Social Policy, involved in LSD research. President of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#). Director of the [Foundation for Gaia](#). Advisory board [Albert Hofmann Foundation](#). Participant [State of the World Forum](#) in the 1990s.
- ▶ **Alfred Hubbard:** Hired by Willis Harman; 1960s-1970s; the "Johnny Appleseed of LSD").
- ▶ **Peter Schwartz:** Director of SRI's Strategic Environment Center.
- ▶ **Alfred Webre:** Senior policy analyst in 1977 at SRI's Center for the Study of Social Policy late 1970s. Later prominent new age exopolitics promoter and [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Richard Hoagland:** First became interested in Cydonia here in 1983 and ran SRI-funded psychological warfare operations in 1983-84 and 1988 against NASA and the public claiming Mars photo's revealed an artificial "Face on Mars", complete with a city. His inspiration for this goes back to Andrija Puharich's [Round Table Foundation](#) and the "channelling" of the Ennead gods of Egypt. Later decades-long [Art Bell / Coast to Coast AM](#) "science advisor" promoting all kinds of bogus theories.

- ▶ International Remote Viewing Association: [irva.org/remote-viewing/timeline.html](http://irva.org/remote-viewing/timeline.html) (accessed: May 21, 2016):

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**[INITIAL CIA-SRI PERIOD:]**

- **Sept 1971:** *Ingo Swann [C2C AM] begins PK research with Cleve Backster.*

- **Nov 1971:** *Swann participates in PK experiments in Gertrude Schmeidler's lab; also participates in OBE experiments.*

- **8 Dec 1971:** *First remote viewing experiment (describing weather in Tucson, AZ from ASPR offices in NYC). Term "Remote Viewing" is adopted.*

- **22 Feb 1972:** *First beacon experiments (also conducted at ASPR)*

- **March 1972:** *Cleve Backster shows Swann a letter from Dr. Hal Puthoff at Stanford Research Institute. Swann and Puthoff communicate.*

- **6 June 1972:** Swann/Puthoff magnetometer / quark-detector equipment experiment in physics building at Stanford University.
- **27 June 1972:** Puthoff communicates with Kit Green, Central Intelligence Agency, concerning the magnetometer experiment results.
- **Aug 1972:** Under Puthoff's supervision, CIA representatives conduct first evaluation trials with Swann. Russell Targ visits Puthoff at SRI.
- **1 Oct 1972:** CIA awards SRI \$50K exploratory contract.
- **Sept 1972:** Russell Targ joins the RV program at SRI.
- **Summer 1973:** Pat Price and Ingo Swann remote view NSA's Sugar Grove facility in West Virginia.
- **July 1974:** Pat Price's operational remote viewing of a facility near Semipalatinsk in USSR conducted.
- **18 Oct 1974:** Russell Targ and Hall Puthoff publish article on remote viewing research in Nature.
- **July 1975:** CIA terminates involvement in and funding of remote viewing [with the death of Pat Price].

#### **[AIR FORCE-SRI PERIOD:]**

- **Late 1975:** Air Force Foreign Technology Division becomes the primary funder of SRI research program, with Dale Graff supervising.
- **March 1976:** Puthoff & Targ publish a major article about remote viewing in Proceedings of IEEE.
- **1976:** Dr. Edwin May joins RV program at SRI International.
- **1977:** The book Mind Reach (Targ & Puthoff) is published.
- **June 1977:** Founding of Mobius Group; Project Deepquest - a submarine RV experiment is jointly conducted by SRI International / Stephan Schwartz.

#### **[DIA-SRI PERIOD:]**

- **Sept 1977:** US Army's remote viewing program GONDOLA WISH is established by Lt. F. Holmes "Skip" Atwater at the direction of the Army Assistant Chief of Staff Intelligence, Maj. Gen. Edmund Thompson.
- **13 July 1978:** GONDOLA WISH name is changed to GRILL FLAME.
- **Oct 1978:** US Army's INSCOM is tasked by the ACSI with developing a parapsychology program.
- **Dec 78 - Jan 79:** Selection of remote viewers for GRILL FLAME. Mel Riley, Joe McMoneagle, Ken Bell, and three others are included.
- **4 Sept 1979:** First Army-conducted operational remote viewing session performed.
- **March 1979:** Remote viewers working with Dale Graff at Wright-Patterson AFB and at SRI correctly locate downed Soviet TU-22 recce aircraft.

- **1979-81:** *Stephan Schwartz conducts Alexandria Project, a remote viewing archaeology project in Egypt. His book Alexandria Project is subsequently published.*
- **ca. 1980:** *Air Force Chief of Staff cancels AF RV program; Dale Graff joins Defense Intelligence Agency as principal staff officer for remote viewing effort.*
- **1981-82:** *Puthoff and Swann develop coordinate remote viewing (CRV) architecture.*
- **1982:** *Russell Targ leaves SRI International's RV program. Mel Riley departs Ft. Meade's operational RV unit.*
- **1982:** *With Swann as instructor, two individuals (Tom McNear and Rob Cowart) begin first CRV training.*
- **Dec 1982:** *US Army's RV project's name is changed to CENTER LANE.*
- **1983:** *Charlene Cavanaugh joins military RV unit in August; Paul H. Smith joins in September.*
- **Jan 1984:** *Bill Ray joins military RV unit; second group of CRV candidates begins training (group includes Smith, Ray, Charlene Chavanaugh; Ed Dames is last minute addition to training contract while remaining assigned to his sponsoring unit).*
- **1984:** *The book Mind Race (Targ & Keith Harary) is published.*
- **Apr 1984:** *Lyn Buchanan joins the Ft. Meade RV unit.*
- **Sept 1984:** *Joe McMoneagle retires from the Ft. Meade RV unit.*
- **July 1984:** *Brig. Gen Harry Soyster replaces Maj. Gen. Bert Stubblebine as Commander, INSCOM. Orders close of Army's CENTER LANE RV program. Soyster eventually persuaded to allow transfer of program & personnel to the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA).*
- **1985:** *Dr. Hal Puthoff leaves SRI International to take directorship of Institute of Advanced Studies in Austin, TX. Dr. Edwin May becomes director of SRI's program.*
- **1985-86:** *Caravel Project, an underwater archaeology project conducted by Stephan Schwartz.*
- **31 Jan 1986:** *After a year of holding operational control, DIA takes formal control of the military operational RV program, and renames it SUN STREAK. Ed Dames joins RV unit.*
- **1986:** *Mel Riley is once more assigned to the Ft. Meade RV unit.*
- **1987:** *Brig Leander Project, an underwater archaeology project conducted by Stephan Schwartz.*
- **Dec 1987:** *F. Holmes "Skip" Atwater departs the Ft. Meade RV unit on retirement leave.*
- **June 1988:** *David Morehouse is assigned to the Ft. Meade RV unit.*
- **Dec 1988:** *Ed Dames departs the Ft. Meade RV unit.*
- **June 1990:** *David Morehouse departs, and Mel Riley retires*

from the Ft. Meade RV unit.

- **Aug 1990:** Paul Smith is reassigned from the Ft. Meade RV unit to the 101st Airborne Division for Desert Shield / Desert Storm.

- **Late 1990:** Dale Graff becomes chief of the Ft. Meade RV unit, and changes project name to STAR GATE.

**[DIA-SAIC PERIOD:]**

- **1991:** Edwin May moves RV research program from SRI International to Science Applications International Corporation.

- **Jan 1992:** Lyn Buchanan retires from the Ft. Meade RV unit.

- **1993:** The book Mind Trek (McMoneagle) is published.

- **June 1993:** Dale Graff retires.

**[FINAL CIA PERIOD:]**

- **1994:** Wording added to Federal Y95 budget transferring control of STAR GATE from DIA to CIA.

- **1995:** CIA begins Congressionally directed evaluation of RV as an intelligence tool. American Institutes of Research is hired to do a "scientific" study; in the report officially published in September the AIR concludes that RV has no value as an intelligence tool. Significant questions are raised about the completeness and accuracy of CIA cancels STAR GATE program. The five remaining personnel are reassigned to other jobs in the government.

- **27 August 1995:** Jim Schnabel/Channel Four TV's *The Real X-Files: America's Psychic Spies* appears as a prime time special in the UK. Interviewed are Gen. Ed Thompson, Hal Puthoff, John Alexander, Mel Riley, Lyn Buchanan, Ed Dames, former CIA director Stansfield Turner.

- **28 Nov 1995:** Ted Koppel's *Nightline* discusses existence of government remote viewing effort. Interviewed are former CIA director Robert Gates, Dale Graff, Edwin May, Joe McMoneagle, etc.

- **1996:** Remote Viewing is featured in many media articles and broadcasts, and becomes a featured item on Art Bell's and other talk shows."

- ▶ 2002, Jeffrey T. Richelson, 'The Wizards of Langley: Inside the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology', pp. 176-177: "In June 1973, OTS chief John McMahon and Carl Duckett were briefed by Harold Puthoff and Russell Targ from the Stanford Research Institute (SRI). ... Four years earlier, Puthoff had experienced a number of personal and professional changes. Separation from his wife, a visit to the Esalen Institute, and boredom with teaching in Stanford's electrical engineering department had been followed by his moving over to SRI.... Puthoff joined SRI to assist with a laser-related project, but when funding dwindled, he sought permission from his boss

and obtained \$10,000 ... to test for the existence of psychic abilities. Puthoff ... had been an active member of the Church of Scientology, and he provided the church with a letter referring to Scientology as a "highly sophisticated and highly technological system more characteristic of the best of modern corporate planning and applied technology." In addition, he wrote that he found Scientology "to be an uplifting and workable system of concepts which blend the best of Eastern and Western traditions." ...

Targ, a physicist whose father was a devotee of the paranormal, had spent the previous decade conducting laser research. ... In April 1972, Targ met with personnel from the Office of Scientific Intelligence to discuss the subject of paranormal abilities, and stated that he knew individuals who claimed they witnessed Soviet research into psychokinesis--the alleged movement of objects using only a mind-generated force--and made films of such activities available to the CIA representatives. ... The first test subject was Ingo Swann... In June 1972, Puthoff invited him to SRI to demonstrate his alleged abilities. ... TSD followed up by arranging for an experiment, costing less than \$1,000, in which Swann was asked to describe objects hidden by TSD personnel--specifically, a live brown moth placed in a sealed box. Reportedly, Swann stated that "I see something small, brown, and irregular, sort of like a leaf, or something that resembles it, except that it seems very much alive, like it's even moving!" The results led then TSD head Sidney Gottlieb to approve another \$2,500 in funding and suggest development of a more detailed research agenda.

By October 1972, TSD authorized a \$50,000 Biofield Measurements Program and appointed Kenneth Kress to monitor the activity. Over the next eight months, experiments progressed from attempts to "remote view" objects hidden in boxes to viewing sites in San Francisco Bay Area to which SRI employees had been sent as "beacons". In February 1973, halfway through the contract, a review of the results led several ORD officers to favor contributing personnel and funding from their office. At about the same time, a third remote viewer, Pat Price, joined the project. ... He had met Puthoff at a lecture in Los Angeles a few years earlier, and had run into Puthoff and Swann in late 1972 while he was selling Christmas trees.

In late April 1973, a management review involving OTS, ORD, and Executive Director William Colby allowed the project to continue, although Kress was told not to increase the scope of the project or anticipate any follow-on funding. There was a potential for significant embarrassment, and OTS already had enough problems--it was being investigated for possible involvement in Watergate. ... Swann had suggested that



*instead of relying on a "beacon" individual at sites to be viewed (which certainly would not be feasible with regard to the sensitive Soviet and Chinese sites), the viewer be given geographic coordinates and asked to view the facility or activity at those coordinates. Such a procedure was dubbed Scanate -- Scanning by coordinate. ...*

*That approach was a step in the direction McMahon wanted the effort to go -- away from experimentation and toward application. He considered parapsychology an "extremely attractive" approach to intelligence collection...*

*The results of Swann's and Price's psychic journeys to the West Virginia mountains were the subject of an October 1 report to the CIA. The following month, a "Top Secret/Coeword Eyes Only" memo evaluated selected results of the experiments. A map drawn by Swann was "correct," while the terrain was "exactly as drawn" by Price, and was "not otherwise accessible to non-base personnel." Elevations given by Price were correct to within 100 feet, and there was "an astonishing similarity between [Price's] description of the facility, some dissimilarities, but most of the important ones do match." The code words elicited by Price were "current or past active COMINT descriptives." An initial survey showed all the code words to be inactive by 1966, but subsequent investigation turned up two that were relevant to the site but unfamiliar to current personnel. In addition, the site reference (code name) was also among the words reported by Price. One individual named by Price was an NSA security officer, although the memo noted that it was not known whether "he was present during [Price's] alleged 'visit.'" The other individuals named were also DOD personnel but were not familiar to personnel at the site who were asked. T*

*The OSI official also noted that the SRI vice president for research informed him that SRI could find no evidence of fraud. Nor could the CIA official... Neither Swann nor Price [however] conducted his remoted viewing under circumstances in which his lack of access to outside information could be verified. In addition, there was no concern expressed, at least in the memo, about Puthoff's having worked at NSA in the early 1960s--which might have given him access to information about Sugar Grove, including code words and personnel. Suspicion might have been heightened by Price's reporting of a number of obsolete code words... Nor did there appear to be any examination of public information, such as media coverage about the targets, information that certainly was available about the existence of a facility at Sugar Grove.*

*In any case, the summer 1973 experiments were reviewed by Colby, who had replaced Schlesinger as DCI in September; McMahon; and Sayre Stevens, who had become director of*

ORD in July 1972 and was far less enthusiastic than McMahon about such activities. He even told Duckett he "was out of his mind" to approve such research. Nevertheless, a jointly funded ORD-OTS program commenced in February 1974. The premise behind the program was that paranormal phenomena such as remote viewing existed; the objective was to develop and exploit them for intelligence purposes. ... It was not long before a number of problems developed with the program, including the objection of ORD scientists that the tests being conducted by SRI were not sufficiently rigorous. Such objections were also raised by the broader scientific community. Later in 1974, Puthoff and Targ published some of their remote-viewing experiments in the prestigious science journal *Nature*. However, an accompanying editorial comment noted that "there was agreement that the paper was weak in design and presentation, to the extent that details given as to the precise way in which the experiment was carried out were disconcertingly vague." Further, all the referees felt that the details of the various safeguards taken to rule out fraud were "uncomfortably vague." ... By the time the paper was published in fall 1974, there were new directors of both OTS and ORD> In August, John McMahon took another step in the rise through the agency, becoming Associate Deputy Director for Administration. ... An experiment conducted in summer 1974 and evaluated in the fall confirmed [Agency] skepticism. ... The chief of Air Force intelligence, Maj. Gen. George Keegan, and key aides believed the [Soviet Kazakhstan-based] site could well be a center for particle-beam research. ... The overall judgment of the evaluator was that "the validity of Price's remote viewing of URDF-3 appears to be a failure... the only positive evidence of the rail-mounted gantry crane was far outweighed by the large amount of negative evidence noted in the body of this analysis." The evaluator also said it was unfortunate that much of the experiment was conducted over the phone with only the SRI's experimenter's voice being recorded. He suggested that "future experiments be more tightly controlled to discount the possibility of the subject discussing the material with people not involved in the experiments." ... In 1974 and in succeeding years, Puthoff and Targ claimed the experiment a success, pointing to the description of the large crane. \* ...\* In a 1996 article, Targ stated that "the psychic description that we and our viewer provided to our sponsor was so outstanding that it alone assured our funding for the next several years. ... According to project officer Ken Kress, Price "correctly located coderooms, produced copious data, such as the location of interior doors and colors of marble stairs and fireplaces that were accurate and specific." At the same time, "much was also vague and incorrect." One operations officer did conclude,

according to Kress, that remote viewing "offers definite operational possibilities." Not everyone was as enthusiastic. The experiments were followed by a review by the Operations directorate, OTS, and ORD. ORD project officers felt that the results "were not productive or even competent" and therefore decided to terminate funding to SRI. James Hirsch, then ORD director, later recalled that the experiments were conducted without proper scientific protocols--that CIA officers present during the experiments knew where the code rooms were and thus were subject to the "unconscious elicitation of information." OTS also ceased funding SRI's experiments--but it did sign Price to a personal services contract, and Price was assigned to work with an OTS psychologist. ...

According to Kress, some of Price's information [on a Libyan facility] was verified by reconnaissance, and his description of the underwater facility was similar to an agent's report. A follow-up request ... went unanswered when Price ... died of a heart attack a few days later. ...

Price had been the last vestige of the CIA's remote-viewing effort, and his death soon ended the CIA's efforts to employ parapsychology for intelligence purposes. --although not the efforts of other agencies or the CIA's study of Soviet efforts. In August 1977, Adm. Stansfield Turner, Jimmy Carter's DCI, was asked about CIA support of parapsychology research after the Washington Post ran an article about the government's support of psychic research. Turner noted that the CIA had a man gifted with "visio-perception" of places he had never seen but, he added with a smile, the man had died two years earlier, "and we haven't heard from him since." According to Gene Poteat, the CIA's support of psychic research was a "dumb exercise" that produced "lots of laughing," but it was born out of a knowledge that the Soviets were conducting such experiments and an attitude of "let's not leave anything uncovered.""

- 2010, Ken Ludden, 'Mystic Apprentice: Volume 4: Clairvoyant Skills' (digital; based on an undated News of the World report): "Even such hardheaded operatives as Richard Helms, who later became the director of the CIA, were intrigued. The declassified documents reveal a memo written when Helms was deputy director for plans [operations] in 1963. For 10 years a small group in the Technical Services Division had been studying hypnosis and telepathy for use in clandestine operations but concluded that these fields were not ready for operational applications. Helms disagreed and sent a memo suggesting more research in "this somewhat esoteric (and perhaps scientifically disreputable) range of activities." He argued that given the Soviet preoccupation with "cybernetics, telepathy, hypnosis, and related subjects ... recent reported advances ... may indicate more potential than we believe

existed.""

## State of the World Forum

- ▶ Set up by the Rockefeller-backed scam artist [Daniel Sheehan](#) and the [Esalen Institute](#)'s James Garrison in 1994 as a continuation of their Christic Institute efforts to try and *"infuse the left with a sense of spirituality"*. Visitors and financiers included David Rockefeller, Zbigniew Brzezinski, George Shultz, Ruud Lubbers and Warren Buffett.
- ▶ Also present at the rather new age conferences were spiritual guru [Deepak Chopra](#), bogus alien abduction researcher John Mack, Harvard LSD pioneer turned Hindu guru [Ram Dass \(Dr. Richard Alpert\)](#), Sam Keen and Thich Nhat Hanh.
- ▶ 2004, James Garrison, 'America As Empire: Global Leader Or Rogue Power?': *"The Forum was an offshoot of the Gorbachev Foundation/USA, which Garrison founded in 1992, in partnership with Mikhail Gorbachev, Senator Alan Cranston, who served as chairman of the board of trustees, and George Shultz, secretary of state under President Ronald Reagan, who served as chairman of the board of advisors. Mr. Gorbachev serves as the convening chairman of the State of the World Forum. An international group of leaders serve with him as co-chairs, including Askar Akaev, Oscar Arias, Jean-Bertrand Aristide, James Baker, Tansu Ciller, Sonia Gandhi, Jane Goodall, Ruud Lubbers, Federico Mayor, Thabo Mbeki, Gertrude Mongella, Yasuhiro Nakasone, Wally N'Dow, her Majesty Queen Noor of Jordan, Jose Ramos-Horta, Jehan Sadat, George Shultz (retired as co-chair in 1998), Maurice Strong (retired in 1996), Ted Turner, Desmond Tutu, Elie Wiesel, Marian Wright Edelman and Muhammad Yunus. ... The first State of the World Forum was convened in San Francisco in 1995 and featured a debate that was carried live worldwide on CNN between Mr. Gorbachev, Margaret Thatcher, and George Bush, Sr., on the future of the United Nations. ... In 1996, a partnership was established with then-Governor Vicente Fox in Guanajuato, Mexico, to examine the fundamental trends shaping the future of Latin America. ... In 2000, the Forum convened a major gathering in New York under the theme "Globalization: Convening the Community of Stakeholders," timed to coincide with the United Nations Millennium Summit of Heads of State. A dozen heads of state and over two thousand leaders representing governments, nongovernmental organizations, organized protest groups, corporations, [etc.] and the media came together."*
- ▶ State of the World Forum, 'Honoring Our Past' ([worldforum.org/history/honoring.html](http://worldforum.org/history/honoring.html), accessed November 10, 2012): *"Warren Buffett, who made a crucial contribution of*

\$150,000 in 1997 to enable our Nuclear Weapons Initiative to assist General Lee Butler. ... Carnegie Corporation of New York, one of our original donors, whose contributions totaling \$400,000, much directed to our Nuclear Weapons Initiative, sustained us during our fragile beginnings. ... Alan Cranston, who co-founded the Forum and served as the Chairman of our Board of Directors until 2000; ... Joe Firmage, high tech entrepreneur who has galvanized a rigorous dialogue on the impact of the new physics on science and spirituality and who has given the Forum its largest single gift, over \$1 million. ... Mikhail Gorbachev, who served as the original convener of the Forum and whose presence enabled us to convene all the leaders who attended the first several Forums. ... Ruud Lubbers, founding Co-Chair, who so ably moderated our early sessions on globalization and guided the Forum in its initial forays into Europe. ... Anne Rockefeller Roberts, whose passion for the indigenous people of the world helped galvanize the various plenaries and roundtables we have convened over the years, many of the expenses of which she underwrote. Rockefeller Foundation, a strong partner of our Nuclear Weapons Initiative, which has contributed well over \$300,000 since 1996. Steven Rockefeller, powerfully involved in drafting the Earth Charter and Chairman of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, who has worked with the Forum to convene our environmental discussions. ... Carl Sagan, astronomer, who graced the 1995 Forum with his eloquence about the stars and inspired us all to shape history commensurate with our dreams. ... Daniel Sheehan, constitutional litigator, with us from 1995, whose strategic advice and counsel kept the Forum on track in critical times and then capped it off by raising \$350,000 to launch his 1999 Forum initiative on the new paradigm. Eduard Shevardnadze, Gorbachev's Foreign Minister and now President of Georgia, who made so many early connections and gave such wise counsel. George Shultz, founding co-chair, who wisely guided us through many complex political realities in the early years. ... Ted Turner, who joined Mikhail Gorbachev as one of our founding co-chairs, and who brought in CNN to do our initial global live broadcast with Mr. Gorbachev, Margaret Thatcher and George Bush."

- May 31, 1995, San Francisco Weekly, 'One World, Under Gorb (Part II)': "In 1947, Garrison moved his wife and three daughters to China. After the Communist reign of terror in Hwei Li and the birth of little Jim, the family moved to Taiwan, where they lived until Jim Garrison was 15. ... That same year, Garrison served as the school's delegate to the mock U.N. in San Francisco, where he was U.S.S.R. representative on the Security Council. Of course, he won an award: outstanding speaker. Ironically, in real life he campaigned for arch anti-

communist Richard Nixon that year. Before he graduated, Garrison faced every young man's nightmare at the time: the draft. Garrison registered for the draft but failed to ask for a student deferment. After receiving his draft notice and date to take a physical, the teen-ager, obsessed at the time with girls and similarly pressing matters, promptly forgot his appointment. After the Selective Service Administration sent a second letter, outlining the many felony charges it could bring down on the teenager's head, Garrison had some thinking to do. "I said, 'Give me a break,'" Garrison recalls. "The idea of someone examining my body, of taking my clothes off to see if I'm healthy enough to go kill people, struck me as absurd. So I refused to go." His parents called in counselors who preached anti-communism, but Garrison stood firm. Then an amazing thing happened. The government simply forgot about Garrison. The same year, Garrison attended Pepperdine University before transferring to Santa Clara University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in history in 1973, graduating magna cum laude. He went on to Harvard, where in 1975 he earned a master's degree in theology from the divinity school. Beginning in 1975, Garrison participated in Cambridge University's doctoral program in theology. He bounced back and forth between the States and England, finally earning his Ph.D. in 1982. At the same time, his work in the anti-nuclear movement brought him into contact with Hager and others building the Silkwood case. After the case was resolved, the core group of Silkwood litigators and hangers-on began discussing the need to infuse the left with a sense of spirituality. "We were struck by the fact that the right had really monopolized the issue of religion," Hager says. The group decided to found a think tank and legal defense fund. Garrison, who read the New Age Catholic theologian Pierre Teilhard De Chardin (a favorite of Jerry Brown and Jimmy Carter), pulled a neologism out of the book *The Heart of Matter* and named the organization the Christic Institute. (Later, under lawyer Danny Sheehan, the Christic Institute imploded beneath the weight of its legal campaign against the alleged "Secret Team" of spook Ted Shackley.) ... To confirm his thesis, Garrison traveled for the first time to the Soviet Union in 1981. The trip, the first of many jaunts over the next decade, transformed him from overachieving student of religion into rising star on the international stage. ... "There was this prevailing mentality that the Soviet system was this impenetrable monolith," he says. "All the people in the American Embassy in Moscow never left the building. It was Fortress America. At the time, a lot of my friends were into citizen diplomacy, middle America meets middle Russia. I was never interested in that. I wanted to penetrate the Central Committee, the Politburo. Know what I found? They weren't

doing anything. They were happy to meet with people. And here was this American who was committed to better relations and I was meeting people on the Politburo." It was these connections, Garrison says, that helped him gain entree into the establishmentarian world of U.S. foreign policy-makers. "I could leverage my contacts over here to meet a Kissinger or a George Schultz. I became important because I could deliver important Soviets." Garrison's trans-Atlantic schmoozing kicked into overdrive in 1985 when he took a job directing the Esalen Institute's Soviet American Exchange Program. The Esalen Institute, famous as the font of the human potential movement in the '60s, became interested in the Soviet Union in 1972 when some Russian psychologists held a conference on parapsychology and psychophysiology - the studies of how the mind effects the body. Eventually, the institute became interested in the more pedestrian activity of citizen diplomacy. The institute began a series of exchanges with the Soviet government, drawing scientists and bureaucrats to the mineral baths at the institute's famous Big Sur retreat. As director of the exchange program, Garrison was in the middle of this so-called "hot-tub" diplomacy. For years, State Department officials and Russians would soak with academics who studied the psychology of conflict to discuss the state of the world. In 1989, Garrison left the Esalen Institute. "Our focus was too narrow for him," says Dulce Murphy, the current director of the institute's exchange program. Well-ensconced in the upper echelons of the foreign-policy establishments, Garrison heard from a Moscow contact who asked if he would like to meet Boris Yeltsin. Yeltsin had just been booted from the Politburo by Gorbachev, and Garrison sensed an emerging star. After meeting with him, Garrison proposed for the first time what would become a standard strategy for increasing cachet here and in Russia: the U.S. tour. Though his Russian superstar tours would cement his role as an international player, Garrison was off to a rocky start with Yeltsin in '89. "Well," Garrison says "he's a heavy drinker if not an alcoholic." Arriving in America for the first time, completely skulled on in-flight cocktails, Yeltsin stumbled off the plane and onto the tarmac, where the press was waiting. Before making a statement, Yeltsin attended to some business by walking away from the crowd to relieve himself on the massive tires. Flustered, Garrison ran back to grab Yeltsin and steered him toward the awaiting press. Later in the trip, Yeltsin blitzed again, was in the middle of an incoherent speech at Johns Hopkins University when Garrison's cellular phone rang. It was his buddy Condoleezza Rice, then a Bush administration Russia advisor (and now provost at Stanford University). Bush had finally agreed to meet with Yeltsin - a dream connection Garrison had been

hoping to make on the trip. Garrison yanked Yeltsin from the stage and placed him on a limo for the frantic one-hour drive to the White House. By the time they got there, Garrison had been informed by phone that National Security Advisor Brent Scowcroft and not Bush would meet with Yeltsin. Sitting in the limo, parked outside the White House in the middle of the night, Yeltsin went nuts. "Nyet, nyet," he spat. "Bush. Bush." Garrison sought to calm him, to no avail. Suddenly, Yeltsin bolted from the limo and charged like a madman toward the White House gates. Bear in mind here that Yeltsin is a massive man, more than 6 feet, and Garrison is a wisp of a fellow. All the same, Garrison had had enough. Although he does not speak Yeltsin's language, he confronted the raging politician and said in his halting Russian something like, "Hey, motherfucker, I got you here and my rep is on the line so you are just going to behave and do what I say." A stunned Yeltsin obeyed and eventually won an audience with Bush, Quayle and Scowcroft. Not surprisingly, Garrison never suggested establishing a joint foundation with Yeltsin. It's May 1992, and Garrison is organizing Gorbachev's first tour of the United States since his ouster. One of Gorbachev's destinations - Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri - suggests Garrison and Gorbachev's intent. Churchill, one of Garrison's heroes, made his famous Iron Curtain speech here. Why not have the man who lifted that curtain talk about the future from the same place? Such a symbolic moment, such a grand act of imagination. The Gorbachev/Churchill parallels extend from there. At the time of his defining address, Churchill was, like Gorbachev, hailed as a hero but was chased from office all the same. Both were haunted by a sense of things undone. ... Nine days and 11 cities of touring later, Garrison and Shevardnadze were great friends. Prefiguring the Gorbachev Foundation, Garrison convinced Shevardnadze to join him in setting up a joint foundation called the International Foreign Policy Association. The first project of the IFPA, which still operates out of the same Presidio house as the Gorbachev Foundation, was humanitarian relief to help the people of Moscow during the first winter after the breakup of the Soviet Union. Garrison called on his pal, former Secretary of State George Schultz, to help, and they ultimately rounded up 1,000 tons of food and medical supplies"

- September 25, 1995, San Francisco Chronicle, 'Gorbachev Foundation's S.F. Meeting / Celebrities, scholars to discuss world's future': "Gorbachev Foundation USA has organized the 'State of the World Forum' ... a five year process of consultation that will meet annually until the year 2000 ... About 500 people are expected to attend .... these will include ... Milton Friedman, ... David Packard and Ted Turner... Jane Fonda... Jane Goodall,... Carl Sagan ... princes from Saudi



Arabia ... [Deepak Chopra](#).... Gorbachev will be joined by ... George Bush .... Margaret Thatcher ... 'Gorbachev believes we are giving birth to a new global civilization,' said Jim Garrison, executive director of the Gorbachev Foundation [and also the [Esalen Institute](#)] which occupies waterfront offices in San Francisco's Presidio. Such transitional periods are chaotic and are a time for testing new ideas, he added. Gorbachev thinks the nation-state is eroding; the much-discussed New World Order is inevitable; and environmental, technological and social challenges confront humanity. "In times of transition, honor the heretic," said Garrison. "Orthodoxy is crumbling." Leaders of mainline Western religions or philosophies are mostly absent from the speaker's lineup, while unorthodox describes many on the list. These include ... Willis Harman, President of the Institute of Noetic Sciences [and also of [SRI International](#), the [Esalen Institute](#) and [Foundation for Gaia](#)].

Gorbachev Foundation's S.F. Meeting / Celebrities, scholars to discuss world's future Edward Epstein, Chronicle Staff Writer Published 4:00 am, Monday, September 25, 1995 A unique amalgam of world leaders, deep thinkers and big-time doers descends on San Francisco this week for five days of brainstorming about nothing less than the future of the Earth and human civilization in the 21st century. Such sweeping issues have become the stock-in-trade of the assembly's moving force, former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. His San Francisco-based Gorbachev Foundation USA has organized the "State of the World Forum" as the start of a five-year process of consultation that will meet annually until the year 2000. About 500 people are expected to join Gorbachev at the Fairmont Hotel for sessions starting Wednesday, which will include a choice of 34 small roundtables, bigger plenary sessions and nightly banquets prepared by celebrity chefs. About 275 of them will pay \$5,000 apiece for the privilege of hobnobbing with an incredible assortment of people. These will include free-market economist Milton Friedman, billionaires [David Packard](#) and [Ted Turner](#) -- accompanied by his wife, Jane Fonda -- primate researcher Jane Goodall, astronomer Carl Sagan [whose divorced wife and son were involved in the Laurance Rockefeller-funded [Lindisfarne Association](#)], princes from Saudi Arabia and Morocco, and New Age gurus Tony Robbins and [Deepak Chopra](#). The \$1.38 million being forked over by the well-heeled will cover the expenses of a long list of speakers who are flying in from all over the world. In addition, the forum will gross about \$270,000 by selling \$100 tickets to an internationally televised, Sunday morning roundtable at the Masonic Auditorium, at which Gorbachev will be joined by two of his old friends from his glory days in the Kremlin, former President George Bush and former British Prime Minister

Margaret Thatcher. With the money rolling in, and with the Fairmont donating many of its services, the foundation expects to break even on the enterprise. Despite the presence of many conservative pillars of the international establishment, the entire enterprise has an insurgent flavor. With the world still trying to find its way in a post-Cold War environment, "Gorbachev believes we are giving birth to a new global civilization," said Jim Garrison, executive director of the Gorbachev Foundation, which occupies waterfront offices in San Francisco's Presidio. Such transitional periods are chaotic and are a time for testing new ideas, he added. Gorbachev thinks the nation-state is eroding; the much-discussed New World Order is inevitable; and environmental, technological and social challenges confront humanity. "In times of transition, honor the heretic," said Garrison. "Orthodoxy is crumbling." Leaders of mainline Western religions or philosophies are mostly absent from the speakers' lineup, while unorthodox describes many on the list. These include forum speakers such as Willis Harman, president of the Institute of Noetic Sciences. As a Stanford University electrical engineering professor in the 1960s, he conducted experiments on the effects of psychedelic drugs on human creativity. Then there is former San Francisco advertising executive Jerry Mander, now an anti-technology author whose premise is that ever-present advertising has brainwashed people into thinking that all new technology is good. And throw in Danny Sheehan of the Christic Institute, a group that has alleged that the Pentagon and the CIA were involved in "The Enterprise," a vast drug-running conspiracy. A New Age world view is nothing new for Garrison, who has a doctorate in theology from Cambridge University in England. In the 1980s, he worked at the Esalen Institute at Big Sur, a hot-tub cathedral of the human potential movement. The broad sweep of Gorbachev's connections and the respect he has earned from many of his contemporaries is illustrated by the lineup of the foundation's co- chairs, which include South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu; George Shultz, former U.S. Secretary of State; Oscar Arias; Yasuhiro Nakasone, former prime minister of Japan; and Rigoberta Menchu, the Guatemalan Nobel Peace laureate. "I don't think anybody but Gorbachev could put together a group like this," said former Senator Alan Cranston, D-California, the foundation's chairman."

- October 16, 1995, Weekly Standard, 'The Global Brain Trust: A Vivisection': "... this Wednesday evening in late September: in the Grand Ballroom of San Francisco's Fairmont Hotel, at the kick-off dinner of the State of the World Forum. It is a distinguished company, including retired diplomats (George Shultz and Zbigniew Brzezinski), ... science popularizers (Carl

Sagan...), ... rich guys (Ted Turner and David Packard), New Age gurus (Sam Keen and Deepak Chopra) ... With his Forum co-chairman, James Garrison, Gorbachev has hand-picked the invitees, most of whom have paid \$ 5,000 to attend. ... [Garrison] organized U.S. speaking tours for Gorbachev, Eduard Shevardnadze, and Boris Yeltsin. His investment-consulting firm, based in San Francisco, flourished with deals in the former Soviet bloc. ... Today he is a very wealthy man, perhaps the only operator in the world who's on a first-name basis with both George Shultz and New Age healer Deepak Chopra... Gorbachev himself spoke freely of "transforming human consciousness." ... A makeshift bookstore sold CDs like "Sacred Healing Chants of Tibet" and "Exploring the Cosmic Christ" and books like "Jesus, CEO: Using Ancient Wisdom for Visionary Leadership". Aside from Garrison himself, no one understands this final, decadent phase of the Left better than Danny Sheehan, a well-known political activist who, like Garrison, was one of the founders of the Christic Institute. On the last day of the Forum, I buttonholed him outside the Grand Ballroom. "A couple of things can come from this Forum," he said, in his breathless manner. "Like I was in the bathroom just now. And I saw Ruud Lubbers [1001 Club, professor of globalization and former prime minister of the Netherlands]. I was on a panel with him -- and just now I called him 'Ruud.'" He calls Gorbachev "Michael." First names. So there's a friendship thing happening. The statespersons get to be friends with the New Scientists who get to be friends with the spiritual leaders who get to be friends with the statespersons."

- October 30, 1995, The New American, 'Global Gorby': "Mikhail Gorbachev - The 1995 State of the World Forum was sponsored by the Gorbachev Foundation. The title of the event was "Toward a New Civilization: Launching a Global Initiative." ... Among the 400-plus cohorts from 50 countries were former Secretaries of State James Baker and George Schulz (both co-chairs of the forum), former President George Bush, former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, President Askar Akaev of Kyrgystan, former President Oscar Arias of Costa Rica, Prime Minister Tansu Ciller of Turkey, Czech Republic President Vaclav Havel, former Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, and South African Vice President Thabo Mbeki. "Additional participants included: [Worldwatch](#) President Lester Brown; New Age gurus Fritjof Capra [of [Esalen](#) and the [Earth Charter](#)], Jeremy Rifkin, Willis Harman [of [Esalen](#) and [SRI](#)], [Deepak Chopra](#), Robert Muller, and Matthew Fox; Marxist poetess Rigoberta Menchu; Earth Council President and billionaire eco-warrior Maurice Strong; Microsoft wizard [Bill Gates](#); media mogul Rupert Murdoch; futurists Alvin Toffler [[very close to old Rockefeller hand and superclass](#)

member [Newt Gingrich](#)] and John Naisbitt; Senator George Mitchell; Archer Daniels Midland CEO Dwayne Andreas; computer tycoon [David Packard](#); [Esalen](#) founder Michael Murphy; motivation superstar Tony Robbins; Men's Warehouse CEO George Zimmer; chimpanzee expert Jane Goodall - not to mention Zbigniew Brzezinski, Carl Sagan [whose divorced wife and son were involved in the Laurance Rockefeller-funded [Lindisfarne Association](#)], John Denver, Shirley MacLaine [appeared several times on [Coast to Coast AM](#) since 2007], Dennis Weaver, [Ted Turner](#), Jane Fonda, Theodore Hesburgh [chairman [Rockefeller Foundation](#) 1977-1982], Timothy Wirth, Max Kampelman, Milton Friedman, Randall Forsberg, Saul Mendlovitz, and Alan Cranston."

- ▶ Youtube video 'Ram Dass interviews Thich Nhat Hanh', uploaded on May 29, 2007: "[Ram Dass interviewed Thich Nhat Hanh at the State of the World forum in 1995, and you can watch an excerpt here.](#)"

## Worldwatch Institute

- ▶ [worldwatch.org/mission](#) (accessed: March 24, 2016): "*Founded in 1974 by Lester Brown as an independent research institute devoted to global environmental concerns, Worldwatch was quickly recognized by opinion leaders around the world for its foresight and accessible, fact-based analysis. Worldwatch develops innovative solutions to intractable problems, emphasizing a blend of government leadership, private sector enterprise, and citizen action that can make a sustainable future a reality.*"
- ▶ July 14, 1985, Los Angeles Times, 'Worldwatch Spotlights Future Ecological Crises': "*After 10 years with the government, [Lester] Brown left in 1969 to become the No. 2 man at the newly established Overseas Development Council, a research group concerned with economic development in the Third World. He left five years later to set up his own research group with the even broader mission of monitoring worldwide resource, environment and population problems. A \$500,000 grant from the [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#) got Worldwatch Institute started. Brown's research assistant at the Overseas Development Council, Erik P. Eckholm, left with him to become a senior researcher at Worldwatch. Eckholm was soon off on a trip to West Africa, India, Pakistan and Nepal to research a book on how deforestation, overgrazing, soil erosion, desert encroachment, silting of irrigation systems and other man-made disasters were threatening the Third World's capacity to feed itself. ... Beside the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, foundations that supported Worldwatch last year were the Edward John Noble, William and Flora Hewlett, W. Alton*

*Jones and Edna McConnell Clark foundations. David Rockefeller also chipped in, as did the United Nations Fund for Population Activities. Brown said lining up money is easier than finding qualified researchers. ... And how has the world fared during Worldwatch's first decade? "We're farther from a sustainable world in 1985 than in 1975," Brown said. "But we also are more aware of that fact." ... The Green Revolution has staved off disaster in India, Indonesia and some other countries by increasing crop yields through application of large amounts of fertilizer and water. But soil erosion has worsened in both the agrarian and industrial worlds. And the four natural systems upon which the future of humanity depends--croplands, grasslands, forests and fisheries--have all suffered depletion."*

- ▶ [rbf.org/grantees/worldwatch-institute](http://rbf.org/grantees/worldwatch-institute) (accessed: March 24, 2016): "\$20,000 for 1 year. Awarded: June 29, 2006. Sustainable Development Program. Goal: Other For distribution and communications of Biofuels for Transportation: Global Potential and Implications for Sustainable Agriculture and Energy in the 21st Century. \$100,000 for 1 year. Awarded: October 14, 2004. Sustainable Development Program Goal: Other A special contribution toward general support."
- ▶ February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti (bizarre [Coast to Coast AM](#)-invited and Laurance Rockefeller-backed [Esalen Institute](#) individual) in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': "A former student of physicist [and [JASON Group](#) founder] John Wheeler [24], Robert Fuller was head of [Erhard] Werner's Foundation. Fuller had been President of Oberlin College but had suffered a mid-life crisis and had fallen under Werner's influence. Fuller now heads the [World Watch Institute](#) in Washington. Fuller [25] was jealous of Werner's fondness for me and that this was a factor precipitating my falling out with Werner. I was worried about the crypto-Nazi feel of the est-org, but I had hoped that Werner would get his intellectual act together and say something of genuine interest in terms of physics and philosophy. I was not at all subservient to Werner in his presence like most of the academics that surrounded and apparently adored him. Some of them called him the "new Heidegger" [26]. Professor Irwin Corey [27] made more sense. There was a lot of talk of Werner running for President one day. Werner said he would appoint me to be head of the National Science Foundation. Werner's brother Nathan Rosenberg was in the Navy as an aide to President Carter's Secretary of Defense Harold Brown [28]. Kevin Garvey [29] told me that Werner had fifteen loyal estoids in the Carter White House. Werner was very active with the training of government people in Washington D.C. Carter [30] had created Project Scanate [31] for remote-viewing

*of military targets by psychics. Werner used remote-viewing in his training, and he also contributed money to SRI for that project. Sidney was a close friend of the late Bishop Pike. Werner had me meet with several Stanford and U.C. Faculty before he set up the Physics Consciousness Research Group at [Esalen](#) with me and Michael Murphy as co-directors. ... I attended the [Esalen] April Celebrity Training of 1975. The list of trainees included Ellie Coppola, Sterling Hayden [35], Michael Murphy, Buzz Aldrin [36], Ted Ashley [37], the late Jerry Rubin [38], Fred Wolf, Saul Paul Sirag and many others. Sterling Hayden quickly walked out calling Werner a "Nazi" as he pushed away some estoids who tried to block his passage."*

## Psychedelics

### Albert Hofmann Foundation

- ▶ Founded in 1988 and apparently active until late 2001. Not big, but the board still basically constituted the who's who of international psychedelic research from the 1950s and 1960s (after that LSD and many other substances were banned) and even beyond (MDMA, for example). These people kept associating and the Albert Hofmann Foundation is one of the easiest-to-spot examples of that.
- ▶ Little is known about the financing of the group. In 1989 the Grateful Dead's [Rex Foundation](#) donated \$10,000 to the Albert Hofmann Foundation. While Rex was completely allied with foundations as Rockefeller, Ford, Carnegie and Tides in the sustainable development domain, it is unknown at this point if any of these major foundations made a grant to the Hofmann Foundation.
- ▶ Well-known directors:
  - ▶ Albert Hofmann (Swiss inventor of LSD).
  - ▶ Dr. John Beresford (secretary and advisor).
  - ▶ Myron Stolaroff (treasurer).
- ▶ Well-known advisors:
  - ▶ Dr. Richard Alpert (Ram Dass).
  - ▶ Allen Ginsberg.
  - ▶ Dr. George Greer.
  - ▶ Dr. Charles Grob.
  - ▶ Dr. Stanislav Grof.
  - ▶ Dr. Willis Harman.
  - ▶ Laura Huxley (wife of Aldous).
  - ▶ Dr. Oscar Janiger.
  - ▶ Dr. John Lilly.
  - ▶ Dr. Dennis McKenna.
  - ▶ Terence McKenna.
  - ▶ Dr. Ralph Metzner.

- ▶ Dr. David Nichols.
  - ▶ Dr. Humphrey Osmond.
  - ▶ Jonathan Ott.
  - ▶ Dr. Richard Evans Schultes.
  - ▶ Myron Stolaroff.
  - ▶ Dr. Charles Tart.
  - ▶ Dr. Andrew Weil.
- ▶ [hofmann.org/about/BOARD.html](http://hofmann.org/about/BOARD.html) (accessed: November 11, 2015, but page hasn't been updated since late 2001 when Oscar Janiger died): *"The Board of DIRECTORS:*
- **John Beresford, M.D.** - Secretary. Founded the Agora Scientific Trust to conduct research with LSD in 1961, work which led to many notable names exploring LSD for the first time.
  - **Myron Stolaroff, M.A.** - Treasurer. Residence: Lone Pine, Ca. Early LSD researcher; industrial consultant and author, has served in senior executive capacities with several corporations and was president of the International Foundation for Advanced Study.
  - **Don Wylie, J.D.**
  - **Betty Eisner, Ph.D.** ...
  - **Jeremy Tarcher** ...
- Our board is currently short-handed due to the sudden unexpected deaths of Oscar Janiger, M.D., Co-Founder and Chairman, and his wife Kathy Delaney Janiger, President.
- ADVISORS:
- **Frank Barron, Ph.D.**, is Emeritus Professor of Psychology at the University of California at Santa Cruz. One of the early researchers on LSD in the sixties...
  - **Jan Bastiaans, M.D.**, (deceased) is Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at the State University of Leyden [Leiden] and a past president of the Dutch Society of Psychiatry and Neurology. From 1961 to 1979 he treated over 300 patients with psychedelics, getting substantially better results than with psychotherapy in difficult cases and added much to the knowledge of skillful treatment.
  - **Peter Baumann, M.D.**, is the Founder and former President of the Swiss Association of Physicians for Psycholytic Therapy, and a psychiatrist in private practice in Zurich, Switzerland. Dr. Baumann and other members of the Swiss Physicians Association were licensed through the Swiss health authorities to use LSD, Mescaline, Psilocybin and MDMA in psychotherapy from 1986 to 1990.
  - **John Beresford, M.D.**, founded the Agora Scientific Trust to conduct research with LSD in 1961, work which led to many notable names exploring LSD for the first time. He recently retired from his faculty position at the University of Toronto, Canada, in order to work for people imprisoned because of LSD.
  - **John Buckman, M.D.**, [early U.K.-U.S. LSD researcher]...



- **Walter Clark, Ph.D.**, (deceased) was Professor of the Psychology of Religion at Andover Newton Theological School and author of *The Psychology of Religion*, *Chemical Ecstasy*, and other works. In 1981 he received the William James Award of the American Psychological Association.
- **Ram Dass (Richard Alpert, Ph.D.)**, in conjunction with his research partner Dr. Timothy Leary at Harvard University, did a great deal to popularize psychedelics in the early 1960's. ...
- **Betty G. Eisner, Ph.D.**, [early LSD researcher]...
- **James Fadiman, Ph.D.**, ...
- **Allen Ginsberg** (deceased) was a potent figure in the cultural revolution of the sixties, and was one of the founding figures of the Beat Generation. ...
- **George Greer, M.D.**, is a practicing transpersonal psychiatrist in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and cofounder of the [Heffter Research Institute](#). ...
- **Lester Grinspoon M.D.**, is Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, and Editor of the Harvard Mental Health Letter. Dr. Grinspoon is the author of numerous books, including *Marihuana Reconsidered*, *Marijuana: The Forbidden Medicine*, and *Psychedelic Drugs Reconsidered*.
- **Charles Grob, M.D.**, is Director of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. In addition, Dr. Grob is principal investigator of the first U.S. FDA - sanctioned research on MDMA with human subjects. He is also currently involved in medical research on Ayahuasca in Brazil.
- **Stanislav Grof, M.D., Ph.D.**, ... was Principal Investigator in a psychedelic research program at the Psychiatric Research Institute in Prague, Czechoslovakia, Chief of Psychiatric Research at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland, and Scholar-in-residence at the [Esalen Institute](#) in Big Sur, California. Currently he is Professor of Psychology at the [California Institute of Integral Studies](#)...
- **Willis Harman, Ph.D.** (deceased), is president of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#), Sausalito, California...
- **Milan Hausner, M.D.**, is a pioneer of LSD research in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Dr. Hausner was formerly the Medical Director of Sadska Hospital, near Prague, which had one of the largest LSD therapy programs in Europe. He has also served as President of the Czech Psychotherapeutic Society.
- **Abram Hoffer, M.D., Ph.D.**, FRCP(C), is a Canadian psychiatrist who together with Humphry Osmond were the Canadian investigators who pioneered the use of psychedelic therapy. They coauthored many books including *The Hallucinogens*, *The Chemical Basis of Clinical Psychiatry*,



*How to Live with Schizophrenia, and dozens of research reports. Abram Hoffer has published twenty books, over 600 papers, is editor of The Journal of Orthomolecular Medicine, president of the Canadian Schizophrenia Foundation, and is actively practicing orthomolecular psychiatry in Victoria, British Columbia.*

- **Albert Hofmann, Ph.D.**, in whose honor the Albert Hofmann Foundation is named, is the retired Director of the Pharmaceutical-Chemical Research Laboratories, Natural Products Department, Sandoz Ltd. of Basel, Switzerland. His field of activity was investigations on the active principles of medicinal plants, such as ergot, scilla maritima, digitalis, and rauwolfia, which yielded valuable medicaments such as Methergin, Hydergin, and Dihydergot. He also studied the magical plants of the Indians of Mexico, including the mushroom Teonanacatl and the morning glory Ololiuqui. He is well known for his synthesis of LSD and Psilocybin. He has published more than 100 articles in professional journals and several books, including *Die Mutterkornalkaloide*, *LSD-My Problem Child*, *Insight-Outlook*, *The Botany and Chemistry of Hallucinogens*, *Plants of the Gods* with Richard E. Schultes, and *The Road to Eleusis* with R. Gordon Wasson and C.A.P. Ruck. He is a Fellow Member of the World Academy of Art and science, Honorary Member of the American Society of Pharmacognosy, and Honorary Member of the Society for Medicinal Plant Research.

- **Bo Holmstedt, M.D.**, is Professor of Toxicology at the Karolinska Institute of Stockholm, Sweden. ...

- **Jean Houston, Ph.D.**, with her husband Robert Masters, carried on extensive work with LSD in the early sixties, culminating in their books *The Varieties of Psychedelic Experience*, soon to be reissued, and *Psychedelic Art*. ...

- **Laura Huxley** has been a concert violinist, produced documentary films, and was an editor at RKO. She married Aldous Huxley in 1956 and lived with him until he died in 1963. She has worked as a psychological counselor, a lecturer, and is active in several human potential movements. ...

- **Oscar Janiger M.D.**, (deceased) co-founder of the Albert Hofmann Foundation, served on the faculty of the Psychiatry Department of the UC Irvine School of Medicine for over twenty years. He has maintained a long-standing private psychiatric practice. He is best known for his research work with LSD during the late fifties and early sixties...

- **Stanley Krippner, Ph.D.**, is professor of psychology at Saybrook Graduate School and Research Center in San Francisco, California. A member of the advisory board of the *Psychedelic Review*, his first publications on the subject were chapters in Robert Masters and Jean Houston's 1968 book, *Psychedelic Art*, Ralph Metzner's 1968 book, *The Ecstatic*

Adventure,, and Charles Tart's 1969 book, *Altered States of Consciousness*. ... He has served as president of the Association for Humanistic Psychology, the Association for the Study of Dreams, and the Parapsychological Association.

- **Igor Kungurtsev, M.D.**, a pioneer investigator of the psychotherapeutic uses of Ketamine, has been research associate at the Bekhterev Psychoneurological Research Institute in St. Petersburg, Russia, and a psychiatrist in private practice. He is also Vice Chairman of the St. Petersburg Transpersonal Association. Igor Kungurtsev is now Adjunct Professor at the [California Institute of Integral Studies](#).

- **Hanscarl Leuner, M.D.**, (deceased) is one of the earliest pioneers of LSD therapy in Europe. Dr. Leuner is Emeritus Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Gottingen and maintains a private practice in psychiatry and psychoanalysis, where he directs one of the only active Psycholytic treatment centers in the world. Dr. Leuner worked with LSD from 1955 to 1985, and has worked in recent years with Ketamine. Professor Leuner was the Founder and President of the European Medical Association for Psycholytic Therapy. He is also Founder and Director of the European College for the Study of Consciousness. ...

- **John Lilly, M.D.**, has led an extremely diversified life which has included being a neurophysiologist, neuroanatomist, biophysicist, computer theorist, dolphin researcher, inventor, drug experimenter, and consciousness explorer. He is the author of many books, including *The Center of the Cyclone* and *The Scientist*, hundreds of scientific articles, and was the prototype for two feature films, *Altered States* and *The Day of the Dolphin*. He invented the isolation tank in the 1950's, and explored the effects of LSD and Ketamine in the solitude of the tank. ...

- **Olga Luchakova, M.D., Ph.D.**, has been Senior Research Associate, Pavlov Institute for Neuropsychology in St. Petersburg, Russia. She is an instructor of Raya-yoga and rebirthing, and has helped conduct Ketamine-assisted psychotherapy. ...

- **Arnold J. Mandell, M.D.**, is a professor at Florida Atlantic University..

- **Robert Masters, Ph.D.**, began his research with mescaline in 1954, and in the 1960's conducted extensive LSD research in collaboration with his wife, Jean Houston above. ...

- **Dennis McKenna, Ph.D.**, for the last twenty years has pursued the interdisciplinary study of ethnomedicine and plant hallucinogens. ... He is co-author, with his brother Terence, of *The Invisible Landscape: Mind, Hallucinogens, and the I Ching*. Terence McKenna is one of the leading authorities on the ontological foundations of shamanism and the ethno-pharmacology of spiritual transformation,

specializing in shamanism and the ethnomedicine of the Amazon Basin. An eloquent and erudite speaker, he has fascinated many audiences. With his brother Dennis he has written *The Invisible Landscape* and other books; more recently he authored *True Hallucinations* and *Food of the Gods*. He is founder of *Botanical Dimensions*, a botanical garden of plants of ethnopharmacological relevance based in Hawaii. [Dennis is a founder [Heffter Research Institute](#)]

- **Ralph Metzner, Ph.D.**, has been exploring states of consciousness and transformational practices for over thirty-five years. He is a psychotherapist and professor at the [California Institute of Integral Studies](#), where he teaches courses on consciousness and ecopsychology. His books include *Maps of Consciousness*, *The Well of Remembrance*, *The Unfolding Self*, *Green Psychology* (1999), and *Ayahuasca: Hallucinogens, Consciousness and the Spirit of Nature* (1999). He is co-founder and president of the [Green Earth Foundation](#). [Founder [Heffter Research Institute](#)]

- **Claudio Naranjo, M.D.**, is a psychiatrist, writer, transpersonal psychotherapist and meditation teacher [involved in the [Esalen Institute](#)], and founder of SAT Institute and its therapy training programs. Among his books are *The One Quest*, *On the Psychology of Meditation* (with Robert Ornstein), *Gestalt Therapy: Attitude and Practice of an Atheoretical Experientialism*, *Character and Neurosis*, *Transformation Through Insight* and *The Healing Journey* - in which he introduced the "feeling enhancers" (now called empathogens) and described his clinical research with harmaline mixtures and ibogaine. He was the first Westerner to describe the psychotropic effects of ibogaine - at the 1967 U.C. LSD Conference.

- **David Nichols, Ph.D.**, is a Professor of Medicinal Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmacal Sciences at Purdue University. He has carried out research on centrally active drugs and most of the types of psychedelics for over thirty years. He maintains the only laboratory in the world where research on the structure-activity relationships of psychedelic drugs is a major focus. He carried out the earliest studies on the mechanism of action of MDMA, and has developed numerous molecular probes to study the action of a variety of centrally active drugs, including the psychedelics. He has published over 200 research articles and book chapters, holds several patents, has served on numerous government review committees, and has been funded by government agencies for more than two decades. He was one of the founding members of the [Heffter Research Institute](#), and is currently the president of that organization.

- **Humphry Osmond, M.D.**, coined the term psychedelic. Along

with his colleague, John Smythies, Osmond described a theory of schizophrenia based upon a Mescaline-like adrenaline-derivative. Aldous Huxley learned of this work and contacted him. Their relationship is described in Osmond's article *Aldous Huxley and the Psychedelic Revolution*. Dr. Osmond, author of several important works in the field, currently serves as psychiatrist for the Nova Program for chronic schizophrenics at Bryce Hospital in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

- **Jonathan Ott** is a natural product chemist and pharmacological researcher. He has many years of experience in collecting plants in Southern Mexico, where he lives and manages a small natural products laboratory and botanical garden. Jonathan Ott has written eight books, including *Pharmactheon*, a definitive volume on psychoactive plants and culture. He has authored several other related texts on visionary plants and also translated Albert Hofmann's autobiography, *LSD-My Problem Child*. ...

- **Christian Ratsch, Ph.D.**, studied pre-Colombian cultures and languages, cultural anthropology, and folklore in Hamburg. ...

- **Ronald Sandison, F.R.C.** Psychiatry, qualified in medicine in London. As consultant psychiatrist in Powick Hospital near Worcester, England, he pioneered the use and development of psychotherapy with LSD between 1952 and 1965. ... Dr. Sandison was also featured in the BBC documentary entitled "The Beyond Within: The Rise and Fall of LSD" and in several other televised programs.

- **Michael Schlichting, M.D.**, is a physician and associate professor at the Psychotherapeutic and Psychosomatic Section of the Center for Psychological Medicine at the Georg-August University in Göttingen, Germany. ... He is Secretary of the European College for the Study of Consciousness.

- **Richard Evans Schultes, Ph.D.**, (deceased) is Jeffrey Professor of Biology and Director of the Botanical Museum of Harvard University (Emeritus). Dr. Schultes, in the tradition of the great botanical explorers, documented native use of medicinal plants in the Amazon. He has reported these explorations in numerous books, including *Where the Gods Reign and Vine of the Soul* with Robert Raffauf, and *Plants of the Gods*, with Albert Hofmann.

- **Alexander Shulgin, Ph.D.**, has published more than two hundred scientific papers and book chapters on chemistry, physics, botany, and pharmacology. He has been a lecturer at the University of California, Berkeley, the San Francisco Medical School, and others. A leading-edge psychopharmacologist, he has been the originator of nearly 200 psychoactive compounds, the formulation of many of which are presented in *Pihkal: A Chemical Love Story*, written with his wife Ann. *Pihkal* (an acronym for Phenethylamines I have Known and Loved) is a milestone of psychopharmacology

and psychedelic literature. Their second book *Tihkal: The Continuation (Tryptamines I have Known and Loved)*, extends this presentation into the areas which include DMT, the harmala alkaloids, the *Psilocybe* mushrooms, and LSD. He has also published *The Controlled Substances Act*, a thorough and accessible explication of contemporary Federal drug laws.

- **Ronald Siegel, Ph.D.**, is Professor of Psychopharmacology at UCLA, and is the author of several books...

- **David Smith, M.D.**, is founder and Medical Director of the Haight-Ashbury Free Medical Clinic and Associate Program Director of the West Coast Polydrug Abuse Treatment and Research Project. He is also Assistant Professor of Toxicology at the University of California Medical Center, San Francisco. He has served as editor of *The Journal of Psychedelic Drugs*...

- **Huston Smith, Ph.D.**, is a retired professor of philosophy and world religions whose major teaching appointments have been at Washington University in St. Louis, M.I.T., Syracuse University, and the University of California, Berkeley. His ten books - the best know of which is *The World's Religions*-include *Forgotten Truth* which has a long appendix summarizing Stanislav Grof's work on the therapeutic use of psychoactive agents. His latest book, tentatively titled *Entheogens and the Future of Religion* is scheduled for publication by Tarcher/Putnam early in the year 2000.

- **Myron Stolaroff, M.A.**, received his M.A. degree in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University. In 1961 he founded the International Foundation for Advanced Study in Menlo Park, California, where research was conducted with LSD and Mescaline for three and a half years, resulting in a number of published papers. He subsequently conducted two decades of research on promising phenethylamines. He has written two books, *Thanatos to Eros: Thirty-five Years of Psychedelic Exploration*, and *The Secret Chief: Conversations with a Pioneer of the Underground Psychedelic Therapy Movement*, as well as several published papers in the field of psychedelics.

- **Charles Tart, Ph.D.** [of the [Esalen Institute](#), [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#) and [Coast to Coast AM](#)], one of the leading authorities on transcendental states of consciousness, is Professor Emeritus of Psychology at the University of California, Davis and a Professor on the Core Faculty at the Institute of Transpersonal Psychology in Palo Alto, California. He is also the editor of *Altered States of Consciousness: A Book of Readings* and the author of *States of Consciousness*, *On Being Stoned: A Study of Marijuana Intoxication*, *Transpersonal Psychologies*, *Waking Up*, and many other books and articles.

- **Thomas Ungerleider, M.D.**, is a Professor Emeritus of

*Psychiatry at the UCLA Medical Center. He has performed extensive work in the area of alcohol and substance abuse, including the adverse effects of psychedelic substances. He treats those with substance abuse disorders, has researched some of the medical uses of smoked marijuana and oral THC, and was a Presidential Appointee to the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse [Nixon].*

*- **Andrew Weil, M.D.** ... spent the years 1971 to 1984 on the research staff of the Harvard Botanical Museum and conducted investigations of medicinal and psychoactive plants. At present he is Director of the Program in Integrative Medicine of the College of Medicine, University of Arizona...*

*- **Richard Yensen, Ph.D.**, is a psychologist who participated in LSD research at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center in Baltimore. He studied psychedelic shamanism in Mexico and has taught at several eastern medical schools. He and his wife Donna Dryer are co-investigators in the only FDA-approved research project involving LSD and psychotherapy...."*

## Uniao do Vegetal

- ▶ Uniao do Vegetal (Union of the Plants) is a Brazil-originated cult that combines aspects of Christianity, Judaism and Ayahuasca-cultism. Jeffrey Bronfman of the billionaire (and somewhat notorious) Bronfman family in Canada is a major player in the cult, whose resources effectively allowed it to use Ayahuasca in the United States under freedom of religion legislation.
- ▶ Anno 2016 still little is known about the cult's exact theology and beliefs, but according to Rick Doblin of [MAPS](#), King Solomon has been injected into the religion as the one who taught the Indians which plants to combine - which couldn't be more ridiculous. One wonders to what extent the Jewish Bronfman with all his money has had influence in getting this ancient Jewish king inserted into the Uniao do Vegetal bible. From ISGP's [World History in Timelines](#): "957 B.C. - King Solomon of the Jews, the son of King David, reportedly constructs the Temple of Jerusalem. Even today all kinds of well-known myths are associated with King Solomon and the temple: the Jinn, Knights Templar, and the Ark of the Covenant."
- ▶ April 7, 2016, [MAPS](#) founder Rick Doblin on the Joe Rogan Experience podcast, 1:51:00, 1:53:00: "[**DOBLIN:**] I just came from Santa Fe this morning and that's where the lead church of Uniao do Vegetal is located, in Santa Fe, and it was Jeffrey Bronfman, from the Canadian-Jewish Bronfman family from Seagrams fortune, from smuggling alcohol during the Prohibition and then building this massive business, one of

*their grandkids, he ended up becoming appreciative of ayahuasca. So he hired the best lawyers and worked on this case and they won an unanimous supreme court case ... and [now] they have legal protection in the United States. On the other hand, it's a church. I went to it... I really enjoyed it. I went to it twice and the second time it was like, "Here's the myth of our church, the origin myth." And part of it was that King Solomon, you know, went to the Amazon and told them how to put these plants together. And I'm like, "King Solomon? Really?!" [Laughing] And so, it is a religion. ... Jeffrey Bronfman and [run the church]... [ROGAN:] Rick Strassman did it with them. He told me it was very strange. He said it was like really strong ayahuasca, really strong, and they sing songs about Jesus. Wow daddy, what is that like? [DOBLIN:] Right! [laughing]..."*

- ▶ **Jeffrey Bronfman:** Member of the elite Zionist-Canadian Bronfman family. He's a second cousin to Edgar Bronfman, Jr. Some Bronfman family members have been involved in the [Tides Foundation](#) (director and chair Joanie Bronfman) and the Temple of Understanding (trustee Sherry Bronfman). We also have Barbara Bronfman, who was closely involved with MKULTRA psi researcher and "The Nine" [Ennead gods of Ancient Egypt] channeller Andrija Puharich and his [Round Table Foundation and Lab Nine](#), and even more so with Puharich's close friend, Ira Einhorn, a kind of national security new ager and environmentalist turned murderer and international fugitive (with Barbara financially supporting him and tipping him off when the police was closing in). As for Jeffrey Bronfman, he is a lawyer and environmentalist first introduced to ayahuasca (and the [União do Vegetal](#) (UdV) religion) when visiting the Amazon to establish a conservation preserve in 1990. He embraced the UDV as a spiritual practice in 1992, and in 1994 he became the religion's first Mestre (teacher-guide) living outside of Brazil. From 1999 through its final conclusion in 2010 he served as the lead plaintiff in the UDV's legal action against the government of the United States, securing the legal acceptance of the UDV's religious practice in this country. The small Santa Fe UDV temple community of Bronfman doesn't advertize, doesn't accept new members and prefers not to give any interviews to the media, even asking its members not be interviewed. He was a featured presenter at the 2014 World Ayahuasca Conference in Ibiza, Spain.
- ▶ December 20, 2004, The New Yorker, 'High Tea': *"The fortune of the Bronfman family, the owner of Seagram's, originated with a Montreal bootlegging business during Prohibition. (The name "Bronfman" means "whiskey man" in Yiddish.) A few weeks ago, the Supreme Court took up a long-running controversy involving a third-generation Bronfman and*

another mind-altering substance, this one imported from the Amazon rain forest rather than from Canada. The case began with a small religious group known as O Centro Espirita Beneficiente União do Vegetal ("Central Beneficial Spirit United from the Plants"), which was founded in Brazil in 1961 and has about eight thousand members there. The religion blends traditional Christian theology with indigenous beliefs, and a central tenet of the faith is the drinking of a tea known as hoasca. According to church doctrine, members can fully perceive God only by drinking the tea. Hoasca (pronounced "wass-ca") is brewed from two plants that grow in the Amazon River Basin, and it contains DMT, a hallucinogen that the American government regards as a controlled substance. In the early nineties, Jeffrey Bronfman, a forty-nine-year-old ecological activist, began making trips to the rain forest. There he became fascinated by U.D.V., as the religion is known, and first drank hoasca tea. "I was very moved and inspired by what I witnessed," he wrote later, in a declaration to the courts. Bronfman learned Portuguese and trained to become a mestre, which is the title given to the clergy in the faith. In 1994, he became the president of the American branch of U.D.V. There are now about a hundred and thirty congregants in the United States, about fifty of them in Sante Fe, where Bronfman lives. As a mestre, Bronfman presides at twice-monthly Saturday-night services. He gives each U.D.V. member a glass of the tea, and then, after a prayer in Portuguese, the congregation drinks together. The ensuing service involves ritual singing, "individualized contemplation," and "a more informal period of unstructured conversation among the congregants." Bronfman also writes that "U.D.V. sessions are not characterized by entertainment, frivolity, or pleasure-seeking." (Terence McKenna, a Berkeley-educated ethnobotanist who is an authority on DMT, has written that using such a substance brings a person into contact with entities that he calls "self-transforming machine elves"; for Alan Watts, a cohort of Timothy Leary's, using DMT was like "being fired out of the nozzle of an atomic cannon." At any rate, it's no Chivas.) On May 21, 1999, federal agents raided Bronfman's office at the church and seized about thirty gallons of hoasca tea. No one was arrested, but the group had to stop using the tea. In response, the U.D.V. and Bronfman sued the federal government, charging that the prohibition on hoasca violated their right to freedom of religion. Through almost five years of litigation, which has produced hundreds of pages of decisions from several different courts, the U.D.V. has won nearly every round. "This Court cannot find ... that the government has proven that Hoasca poses a serious health risk to the members of the U.D.V. who drink the tea in a ceremonial setting," Judge James A. Parker wrote in an early



decision. Last month, with all of the active judges on the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit present, the court ruled, eight to five, that U.D.V. could continue to use hoasca. Last month, though, the Bush Administration filed an emergency application for a temporary stay of that ruling, arguing that it could open the door for religious-based claims for marijuana, LSD, and heroin. On December 1st, Justice Stephen Breyer, who supervises the Tenth Circuit, granted the government's request for a stay. "It's maddening," Nancy Hollander, one of U.D.V.'s lawyers, said last week. "We keep winning, but we can't win." Bronfman writes in his declaration (he declined to be interviewed) that the investigation, and the consequent loss of hoasca, "has been a time of almost indescribable stress and sadness for me. The effect of all this has produced tremendous strain on my family, my personal health and, to some degree, my religious faith." For all Bronfman's passion, it seems unlikely that even a victory in the Supreme Court will lead to a surge in the tea's popularity as a recreational drug."

- September 14, 2009, The Globe and the Mail, 'Bronfman scion's temple plans aren't U.S. town's cup of tea': *"His family built its fortune selling liquor during Prohibition. Now, Jeffrey Bronfman is stirring controversy in a remote New Mexican town where he is seeking to build a massive temple for his obscure religious sect to practice an unconventional brand of worship - drinking psychedelic tea to bring them closer to God. The Bronfmans remain one of Canada's most prominent families, its members respected pillars of society in Montreal, Toronto and New York. Mr. Bronfman, second cousin to Edgar Bronfman Jr. and grandnephew to family patriarch Samuel Bronfman, heads the American offshoot of O Centro Espirita Beneficiente Uniao do Vegetal (Portuguese for The Central Beneficial Spirit United in the Plants.) The religion was founded by a Brazilian rubber tapper in 1961 in the Amazon rain forest, and has about 8,000 followers worldwide whose beliefs fuse Christian theology with certain aspects of native spirituality. Mr. Bronfman brought the religion, known as UDV, to the United States in 1992, and the religion has since grown to attract about 130 followers, mainly in the Santa Fe area. This is not the first time Mr. Bronfman, whose family once owned Seagram's, has found himself at the centre of high-profile controversy linked to his religion, which prohibits the consumption of alcohol. Three years ago, the U.S. Supreme Court issued a landmark ruling in favour of his group's religious right to drink the tea, known as hoasca, which is brewed from two plants grown in the Amazon that contain DMT, a hallucinogen that is considered a controlled substance by the U.S. government. Mr. Bronfman, an environmentalist who discovered the religion and the tea on a trip to the rain*

forest in the early nineties, successfully argued that the drink was a religious communion, necessary for followers to fully connect with God. He now plans to donate 2½ acres of land he owns in the small town of Arroyo Hondo near Santa Fe, for the construction of a sprawling temple compound that will feature a caretaker's house, a greenhouse to grow the plants, a kitchen to prepare the tea, as well as a house of worship to accommodate up to 100 people. Services are currently held in a tent, or yurt, near his Santa Fe home. The land he intends to donate is owned by him "in family trust" according to his lawyer, who would not elaborate. However, residents of Arroyo Hondo have criticized the plans, claiming the new temple would cause traffic problems and potential safety issues with worshippers driving while under the influence of the tea."

- ▶ April 25, 2013, [NPR](#), 'Controversy Brews Over Church's Hallucinogenic Tea Ritual': "A small church in Santa Fe, N.M., has grown up around a unique sacrament. Twice a month, the congregation meets in a ritualized setting to drink Brazilian huasca tea, which has psychoactive properties said to produce a trance-like state. The Supreme Court confirmed the UDV church's right to exist in 2006. The church doesn't seek new members and prefers to keep a low profile. It did, however, agree for the first time to open up to a journalist. ... Sixty people are gathering inside a large salon in a nondescript adobe house south of Santa Fe. They're hugging, visiting and pulling on forest-green shirts with the letters UDV on the pocket in preparation for tonight's session. The Santa Fe church is the largest of the six UDV congregations in the country, numbering only 300 members in all. There are 17,000 practitioners in Brazil, where the church started. ... The UDV in the U.S. is extremely media shy, fearing misunderstanding and caricaturing of its beliefs and practices. Most members are private about their huasca religion. (The church elders who invited NPR asked not to record interviews with individual members.) Barbara, an electrologist, says the tea cured her Lyme disease; Satara, a substitute teacher, claims huasca amplifies perception of herself and the world — like turning up the volume on a radio. Joaquin, a tattooed massage therapist, says the tea is much more spiritual than tripping on acid; and Pete, a martial arts teacher, says he's here to be part of a community of people all trying to get closer to God. One of things that strikes you about this church is how structured it is. The lengthy bylaws are read during every ceremony. Members wear uniforms. They sit in identical folding green chairs arranged in concentric rings facing an altar — above hangs a picture of the young religion's founder, José Gabriel da Costa. Mestre Gabriel, to his followers, was a Brazilian rubber tapper who tried huasca and created a religion around it in

1961. People turn serious as soon as a bell rings. ... Curiosity about the psychedelic tea has led to a boom in ayahuasca tourism — another name for the brew. More than 40 ayahuasca lodges in Peru advertise on the Internet with pitches like, "Your vibrations will begin to harmonize with the flow of nature! Click here for rates." Some of the experiences turn out badly. Articles have described a few spiritual seekers who've died or gone berserk during rituals and women who've been molested by unscrupulous shamans. Peter Gorman is a journalist, former editor of High Times magazine and a veteran ayahuasca practitioner who lives south of Fort Worth. He says the UDV church couldn't be more different than ayahuasca tourism. "UDV is private," Gorman says. "If you knocked on their door, you wouldn't get in. That's different than someone who says, 'I'll charge everybody \$500, I'll get 15 people Friday, 15 people Saturday, and I'll get 30 people at \$500, \$15,000.'" And with many already wanting to experience the drug, UDV has refrained from advertising. "Honestly, the degree to which people find us and want to come and become involved is at an accelerated rate already for us. So we're not looking to add to it by promoting," Bronfman says. The UDV church in the U.S. has fought for its right to drink the tea. In 1999, federal agents seized a load of huasca at Bronfman's Santa Fe office. It led to a seven-year legal fight that went all the way to the Supreme Court. A unanimous opinion held that if Native Americans can eat peyote legally, then the UDV can drink huasca. The 2006 decision has since been cited in more than 300 federal cases. The legal battles are not over. In recent years, neighbors have been trying to thwart the building of a permanent UDV temple. At a hearing before the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners in 2011, neuroscientist Dr. Robert Eaton worried about psychedelic pollutants in groundwater. ... [Picture:] Jeffrey Bronfman, UDV church national vice president; Solar Law, UDV church national president; and Tai Bixby, head pastor of the Santa Fe congregation. Churchgoers participate in a ceremony where hallucinogenic huasca tea is consumed, and some neighbors are trying to block the construction of a UDV temple."

## World Ayahuasca Conference

- ▶ 2014 organizers (Ibiza):
  - ▶ [ICEERS](#) (primary): provided with \$500,000 in funding from [George Soros](#) earlier in 2014.
  - ▶ Rockefeller/Soros-allied [Beckley Foundation](#) (co-organizer): allied with Soros, Richard Branson, George Shultz, John Whitehead, etc.
  - ▶ Rockefeller/Soros-allied [RiverStyx Foundation](#).

- ▶ 2016 organizers (Brazil):
  - ▶ ayaconference.com (accessed: October 19, 2017):  
*"Organizer: ICEERS. ... Principal patrons: ... Open Society Foundations ... Partners: We are the Drug Policy Alliance ... [MAPS](#) ... RiverStyx Foundation ... "*
- ▶ 2014 key speakers (Dennis McKenna and Jeffrey Bronfman only significant speakers in 2016):
  - ▶ **Jeffrey Bronfman:** Member of the elite Zionist-Canadian Bronfman family, some members of which have been involved in the [Tides Foundation](#) (director and chair Joanie Bronfman) and the Temple of Understanding (trustee Sherry Bronfman). Jeffrey Bronfman is a lawyer and environmentalist first introduced to ayahuasca (and the [União do Vegetal](#) (UDV) religion) when visiting the Amazon to establish a conservation preserve in 1990. He embraced the UDV as a spiritual practice in 1992, and in 1994 he became the religion's first Mestre (teacher-guide) living outside of Brazil. From 1999 through its final conclusion in 2010 he served as the lead plaintiff in the UDV's legal action against the government of the United States, securing the legal acceptance of the UDV's religious practice in this country. The small Santa Fe UDV temple community of Bronfman doesn't advertize, doesn't accept new members and prefers not to give any interviews to the media, even asking its members not be interviewed. He was a featured presenter at the 2014 World Ayahuasca Conference in Ibiza, Spain.
  - ▶ **Rick Doblin:** Founder and head of the Pritzker and Rockefeller-financed [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#). Inspired on this quest at the [Esalen Institute](#) where he became a protege of Dr. Stanislav Grof in the early 1980s. Until some time in the 1990s Doblin was the only MAPS employee.
  - ▶ **Ethan Nadelmann:** A key Soros representative on drug policy reform since the early 1990s and executive director of Soros' [Drug Policy Alliance](#).
  - ▶ **Dennis McKenna:** Co-founder of the Rockefeller and Microsoft-financed [Heffter Research Institute](#), as well as the Laurance Rockefeller-backed [Green Earth Foundation](#).
  - ▶ **Jonathan Ott:** Psychedelic author. Collaborated with Gordon Wasson. Translated Albert Hofmann's 1979 book *LSD: My Problem Child*. Published in the MAPS bulletin, the Journal of Psychoactive Drugs, High Times and other publications.
  - ▶ **Adele van der Plas:** She and her late husband Pieter Bakker-Schut, another prominent Dutch lawyer, have been defending terrorists (the Rote Armee Fraktion) and heroin cartels (Baybasin), with especially her husband

morally defending both groups. As part of her defense strategy for this heroin cartel, she's been smearing a top Justice Department official, Joris Demmink, with [bogus pedophile charges](#), apparently with the aid of CIA and/or U.S. security state assets. On a more positive note she's helped legalize ayahuasca use by the Santo daime church (**note:** I've seen a meeting: everyone in white robes, chanting, before Ayahuasca use; friendly people, but comes across as very cultic.) in the Netherlands:

- November 22, 1999, Trouw newspaper, 'Sacrament from the Amazon: Ayahuasca' ('Sacrament uit de Amazone: Ayahuasca'): *"More than hundred demonstrators at the Dam in Amsterdam ... protested the legal case against the leaders of their Santo Daime Church. The sacrament of this church community is the ayahuasca tea that contains the banned substance dimethyltryptamine (DMT). ... The Santo Daime religion was established in the 1920s in the Brazilian rainforest, but the use of ayahuasca [among] Indian tribes is centuries older ... As a rubber-tapper in the rainforest, founder Raimundo Irineu Serra became acquainted with the Indian [ayahuasca] cult. In a vision he saw the virgin Mary as the queen of the jungle. She inspired him into founding a new religion. ... The Brazilian government allows Santo Daime to maintain half a million hectares of tropical rainforest. ... Christendom forms the basis of the ritual and the ethical course of the spiritual practice, but the teachings do not consist of close-minded dogma. Influences from other religious traditions; shamanism of the Indians. but also concepts as karma and reincarnation, derived from hinduism and theosophy, also play a role. The teachings are continually expanded upon with new hymms and revelations, under the influence of ayahuasca. ... With support of the European Union, since 1993 experiments take place in Peru in which cocaine addicts are treated with ayahuasca. In the Netherlands the universities of Utrecht and Maastricht want to carry out similar experiments. Use of ayahuasca combined with intense psychotherapy have to expose the traumas at the root of addiction and make them treatable. Dr. F. A. de Wolff, toxicologist and advisor of the ministry of public health is surprised about the controversy surrounding ayahuasca. "The brew has no problematic toxicological side effects and is non-addictive. Marijuana is more damaging. I don't see*

why DMT has to be listed as a harddrug in the opium law. If it is used under experienced guidance I don't see a single danger. The lawyer of the Santo Daime church, Adele van der Plas, looks at the case with confidence. "The prosecutors's office has determined that the confiscated Ayahuasca only contains minimal amounts of DMT. It appears they're interested in having the case dismissed, but we ourselves are pressing forward. The church doesn't want to continue its activities in a semi-legal sphere and out of principle demands a ruling. In the early 90s in Brazil, DMT was also listed as a harddrug, but after extensive research has been made legal. That is also the case we're trying to make in the Netherlands, if necessary right up to the High Council."

- March 2001, [Erowid](#), 'Freedom of Religion versus the Psychotropic Substance Treaty. Court Case in Holland against the use of Ayahuasca by the Dutch Santo Daime Church.': "Amsterdam - On Friday 23 March 2001, two church leaders of the Dutch Santo Daime church appeared in court here in Amsterdam on charges of possessing and transporting a Schedule 1 drug. The two church leaders, Geraldine Fijneman, leader of the Amsterdam branch of the Brazilian based Santo Daime church, and Hans Bogers, head of the The Hague branch were arrested on 6 October 1999 in a chapel in the city of Amsterdam during a church service. ... The ayahuasca seized by the police was tested in a forensic lab. 0,02 % of the tested liquid contained DMT. DMT is considered a Schedule 1 drug according to the Dutch Opium Law, a drug in the same class as heroin, cocaine and other so called 'hard drugs'. A line of experts gave scientific explanations on different aspects of the case. Toxicologist professor De Wolff wrote a report for the examining magistrate in which he stated there was no public health risk in regard to the use of DMT. He cited the research on UDV members in Manaus done by Callaway, McKenna and Grob in 1996. He also made a comparison with the ritual use of psilocybin containing mushrooms by the Mazatec Indians and said as a side note that the famous mushroom curandera Maria Sabina died at the age of 93, implying the lack of public health risks. De Wolff did not see an abuse potential in the use of ayahuasca. He said the church had services about two times a month, and that it might be possible

that some experienced ayahuasca users felt cravings for their next service, but it would only be a mild kind of craving comparable with the craving for liquorice or pickled herring (This is Holland, remember!) The toxicologist said there were no scientific grounds for DMT to be considered a hard drug according to the Dutch Opium Law. The substance is scheduled because it is mentioned in the Psychotropic Substance Treaty. It means there were no public health consideration involved in the scheduling, only international political reasons. Asked by the defense lawyer whether he thought it remarkable that UDV members were more healthy than a control group, the toxicologist answered he was not surprised. The public prosecutor Mr. P.C. Velleman asked what the toxicologist thought of the use of ayahuasca by children. DeWolff commented that he thought childhood use of ayahuasca was unwise. He expressed concerns that children could become very frightened and they could engage in extremely risky behavior. He mentioned as an example a child that jumped of a bridge after eating psilocybin containing mushrooms. The defense lawyer, the eminent Mr. [Master] Adele G. van der Plas, had asked a wide range of experts to give their opinion on the public health aspects of drinking ayahuasca, on the reasons to use psychedelics in a spiritual context, and on the sincerity of the Santo Daime church as a bona fide religion. Neurophysiologist Dr. Eric Fromberg, speaking with a 30 year experience in Dutch drug help institutions, talked about the very controlled setting of the Santo Daime rituals. He himself had participated in a ritual in which a man fell on the ground and couldn't stop moving his legs for a while. The way in which the church members helped this man was very good. "I couldn't have done it better myself", he said. He talked to the man after the service, who stated how helpful the service had been to his personal growth. Apart from the safe setting, Fromberg (an atheist himself) was in favor of the framework the Santo Daime church provided in which visionary experiences could be integrated. He had also noticed that people with certain psychiatric problems received special attention. Dr. Fromberg, a known supporter of legalization was vehemently opposed to the scheduling of DMT. Professor Charles D. Kaplan, working at the medical faculty of the University of Maastricht stated in his testimony that

being part of a spiritual and/or religious community is beneficial for public mental health, although this statement might be hard to accept in our secular society. He even called the ritual use of ayahuasca in the interest of public mental health. He was also opposed to the scheduling of DMT and said there was no scientific ground for it. Theologist and religious expert dr. R. Kranenborg from the Free University in Amsterdam stated that ayahuasca is the sacrament for the Santo Daime members and that ayahuasca is essential for the Santo Daime religion. "Without ayahuasca the Santo Daime would not be the Santo Daime." Public prosecutor Velleman accused Geraldine Fijneman of transporting and possessing DMT. He accused Hans Bogers of being present in the chapel and knowing what was going on. He said the preparation of ayahuasca was meant to take the active ingredients out of the plants. In that respect it is a preparation as described in the Psychotropic Substance Treaty. He said all the experts in the court room might agree about DMT being placed unjustly in the Opium Law. It would mean Dutch lawmakers should change the law but that the substance was right now still in the law, that Holland had signed the Psychotropic Substance Treaty and had to obey the Treaty. Mr. Velleman listed the what he called 'serious side effects' of drinking ayahuasca, like amongst others a rise in body temperature, a fast heartbeat, and walking unsteadily. He said the long list of contra-indications that has to be taken into account showed the public health risks of the use of ayahuasca. He tried to make clear that the Dutch Santo Daime church gave ayahuasca to children. He demanded a sentence of one month suspended imprisonment with a two year probationary period for the two suspects. Judge Marcus reacted to the public prosecutor's argumentation. The judge said the contra indications were due to the MAO inhibiting effect of the Banisteriopsis caapi liana, and not of the DMT containing Psychotria viridis leaves. (!) The active ingredients of the liana are not scheduled. The judge asked whether the public prosecutor had looked well into the United Nations Bureau report from Vienna, Austria that the public prosecutor himself had given to the court. The UN report from Vienna stated that DMT containing plants and infusions of these plants were not controlled. It took the public prosecutor more than a



minute to find his speech. He finally said he didn't agree with that interpretation. In her 90 minutes plea defense lawyer Adele van der Plas answered the question whether the Santo Daime church was a serious religious movement. She described the history of the church, starting around 1910 in the Brazilian part of the Amazon by Raimundo Irineu Serra, who combined centuries old Indian traditions with Catholicism. After his death in 1974 his movement split up in several Santo Daime churches. One of them, headed by Sebastiao Mota de Melo founded the Cefluris church (Centro Eclético da Fluente Luz Universal Raimundo Irineu Serra). The spiritual center of this church is Céu do Mapia, a community deep in the Amazonian forest. The current leader of the church is Sebastiao's son Alfredo Mota de Melo. According to a research by Brazilian anthropologist Edward J. Baptista das Neves MacRae, who made an extensive description of the Santo Daime rituals, it is very clear the Santo Daime church is a bona fide and serious religious movement. Both theologian dr. Kranenborg of the Free University in Amsterdam and mr. Dr. Labuschagne lawyer and philosopher of law at the University of Leiden fully agreed with this conclusion. Labuschagne, whose Ph.D. thesis was titled 'Freedom of religion and not-established religions', labeled the Santo Daime churches as a serious and bona fide religion. Adele van der Plas concluded that the members of the Santo Daime church should be protected by the European Treaty of Human Rights (article 9) and by the International Treaty of Civil and Political Rights signed in New York (article 18). She also listed some cases of the European Court of Human Rights in which European Nation states were explicitly warned to be very reserved in freedom of religion-cases. In one case of a Greek Jehova witness against Greece, a lawyer noted that Santo Daime members should in the near future be treated with great reservedness by European nation states. It was quite clear the defense lawyer warned the court not to make a decision that will be overruled by the European Court of Human Rights. Defining the Santo Daime church as a legitimate and bona fide religion, Adèle van der Plas wondered whether the use of ayahuasca was legitimate in the church services. She approached this by citing a resolution of the CCPR of the UN accompanying article 18 of the

*International of Civil and Political Rights: "The freedom to manifest religion or belief in worship ( ) encompasses a broad range of acts. The concept of worship extends to ritual and ceremonial acts giving direct expression to belief as well as various practices integral to such acts ( ) (it) may include not only ceremonial acts but also such customs as the observants of dietary regulations (( etc. etc.)."*

*And also: "The Committee observes that the concept of morals derives from many social philosophical and religious traditions; consequently, limitations on the freedom to manifest a religion or belief for the purpose of protecting morals must be based on principles not deriving exclusively from a single tradition." This meant, according to the defense lawyer, that a judgement solely based on the dominant western religious tradition should be avoided. As historian Dr. Snelder of the Free University in Amsterdam wrote in a report for the defense, the use of psychoactive substances like ayahuasca, peyote or psilocybin containing mushrooms is as old as our knowledge of human history. Theologist Dr. Kranenborg explained how important the use of psychoactive substances was in different religions, religions less well known to us than Judaism, Christianity and Islam. According to Kranenborg the use of ayahuasca as a holy sacrament is absolutely essential for the Santo Daime religion. Neurophysiologist Fromberg and psychologist Dr. Hans C. Ossebaard gave in their reports further evidence of the necessity of the use of ayahuasca in the Santo Daime services. Ossebaard wrote that depending on set and setting drugs could trigger a mystical experience identical to the 'Unio Mystica', the spontaneous and conventional mystical experience without drugs as we know it from medieval Christian literature. Adèle van der Plas than continued with the limitations of the right to freedom of religion. Citing again some recent cases of individuals against European nation states by the European Court of Human Rights, she came to the conclusion that the nation state had to prove how severe and dangerous a certain situation was. Was DMT such a threat to public health that it gave the state of Holland the right to violate one of the constitutional rights of its citizens? All experts came to the conclusion that DMT was not a threat to public health. Some experts are convinced of the medicinal and therapeutic value of ayahuasca.*

Professor Kaplan concluded for example : "( )that the use of 'Daime' in a ritual context motivated by a search for spiritual and (mental) health provides an acceptable and minimal risk to public health and, in fact, is likely to provide an unseen benefit for our health system." In Brazil the use of ayahuasca was legalized in 1992 after an intensive research about the public health aspects. In 1997 the Brazilian government made the recommendation not to serve ayahuasca to people younger than 18 years. The defense lawyer stressed ayahuasca was never served to minors in the Dutch Santo Daime church. DMT is no threat to public health and, according to Van der Plas, therefore the action of the Dutch authorities against the Santo Daime church was a violation of the constitutional right to freedom of religion. DMT is a controlled substance in Holland because it is mentioned in the Psychotropic Substance Treaty . But the Psychotropic Substance Treaty is subsidiary to the constitutional right to freedom of religion, as is stated in article 22 of the Treaty. Adele van der Plas concluded that the way the Dutch authorities handled this case is incomprehensible and unjust. She asked the court to drop the charges. She told the court not to be hesitant in taking a bold decision because this court won't be the first to legalize the use of ayahuasca as a religious sacrament. Not only Brazil legalized ayahuasca, Peru did so as well and also legalized the medicinal use of the brew. A court in Spain's capital Madrid dismissed on 20 October 2000 a charge against the import of ayahuasca on grounds of the insignificant amount of controlled substances found in the brew and that it would be privately used by a select group of people. The state of Oregon in the United States granted the Santo Daime church the use of its sacrament. The Oregon Board of Pharmacy wrote on 8 November 2000:"( ) it seems apparent to the board that the sacramental use of the Santo Daime tea in the context of a bona fide religious ceremony by practitioners of the Santo Daime religion as described does not constitute abuse of a controlled substance." Mr. Van der Plas finally also demanded acquittal for her clients. The court will give a verdict on 6 April 2001."

- April 2, 2001, Arno Adelaars at [Erowid](#), 'April 2, Dutch Court Decision (part 1)': "The court ruled today that Hans Bogers, head of the The Hague branch of the Santo Daime church was acquitted on

technical legal grounds. He was accused of possession of a Schedule I drug, but the court ruled he was a guest of the Amsterdam branch of the church during the raid of the Amsterdam police on 6 October 1999. The verdict of the court in the case against Geraldine Fijneman, head of the Amsterdam Branch of the Santo Daime Church is unfortunately suspended for about six weeks. The court needs more time in her case. She confirmed to the police she was the one in possession of ayahuasca, she was the person who transported the DMT-containing liquid, and she was the one in charge of the church service in which the ayahuasca was going to be served. In her case the principal question of Freedom of Religion versus the Psychotropic Substance Treaty will be answered. The courts wants to have a risk analysis of the combined use of ayahuasca and cannabis. Toxicologist prof De Wolff and an official of the Dutch Minister of Health have been asked to give a testimony on this subject."

- May 23, 2001, Santo Daime's Midia News, 'Holland Surrenders to Daime': "After a trial lasting a year and a half, Amsterdam's Supreme Court ruled that the use of ayahuasca within the rituals of the Church of the Eclectic Center of Universal Flowing Light, the official name of the religious movement, is not a crime. Geraldine and the lawyer, Adele, celebrated in Brazil, where they arrived some days ago. "At last I can take Santo Daime again and help other people who need support in their lives," she told the *Correio* yesterday, before embarking for the sect's headquarters - Ceu do Mapia - in the municipality of Pauní, in Amazonas state, for a long stay of three months. "I want to heal myself again." There is reason for Geraldine's anxiety. She attributes to the religion and the ingestion of ayahuasca the fact that she's been alive for the last nine years. In 1992, Geraldine was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Surgery was not feasible owing to the tumor's location. Doctors gave her few months to live. Desperate, she sought alternatives. She heard of a group that utilized Amazonian plants in Pisa, Italy, and went there. "When I took the tea, I knew that it could help me a lot." Two months later she was in Amazonia, where she stayed 60 days. "Santo Daime completely changed my life. It helped me to get to know my dark side and my enlightened side." When she returned to Holland, the doctors didn't know what to say. "The tumor had entered remission," she

says. While the trial lasted, however, Geraldine was forbidden to use ayahuasca in Holland and the rituals of the cult were done without the drink. She limited herself to taking it during sporadic trips to Brazil. "My health suffered a relapse and the tumor began to grow again," she says, attributing the fact to the tension she lived through during the last months of the trial. During this time, the lawyer, Adele, claimed that the utilization of the drink was fundamental to the functioning of the religion and that its prohibition, therefore, violated the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Liberties. According to the treaty, freedom of religion cannot be limited except by reason of public safety, protection of public order, health and morality, or the rights and freedoms of others. "The prosecutor had to prove that the use of ayahuasca in the church's rituals was harmful to society, and he could not," Adele explains. In its decision, the Dutch court states that, owing to the small number of members of the religion in the country-about 100 people-and to the rigid control that the leaders exercise over the use of the drink in the rituals, the consumption of ayahuasca does not present significant risk to public health, and that the freedom of religion intended in the Convention on Human Rights, in this case, supersedes the anti-drug laws that prohibit the consumption of DMT."

► **Joshua Wickerham:** Founder of the [Ethnobotanical Stewardship Council](#).

► aya2014.com (accessed: February 27, 2016): *"The World Ayahuasca Conference 2014, organized by the ICEERS Foundation, aims to be a multidisciplinary event that brings together leading scientists, legal experts, practitioners, environmentalists and other experts involved in the ayahuasca field, facilitating the interchange of experience and knowledge, and the birth of new synergies and collaborations through the formal presentations and round tables, workshops and debates, as well as the informal events of the conference. The language of the conference will both be Spanish and English and there will be simultaneous translation in the main room during the whole event. The conference will take place in the Palau de Congressos of Ibiza. ... Organized by: ICEERS. ... Co-Sponsored by: Beckley Foundation. RiverStyx Foundation. Supporting NGO's and Companies: MAPS. "*

► August 2015, Ethan Nadelmann on the Joe Rogan Experience podcast: *"Yeah, yeah, yeah, I kind of like the notion of hunter-gatherers who consumed psilocybin mushrooms or whatever*

were the ones that were going to be better at warfare or a whole range of other things. So it's intriguing [this theory of mushrooms advancing human evolution/brain development] and Terence [McKenna] was a remarkable speaker. ... I only met him a few times, but one of the last times he called me up, because I think he was supposed to speak at UCLA or USC and at the last moment they were going to prohibit him from speaking, or whoever was loaning him the hall or something like that, and so he just called me up and I called the local ACLU and they got right on it and we solved the problem. And his brother Dennis McKenna were both at the first World Ayahuasca Congress [sic] in Ibiza last October [sic] and that was something. ... But there were about 1,000 people in this conference hall in Ibiza. You had leading academics, scientists, like Dennis McKenna. You had shamans, both new age shamans and traditional shamans from Latin America. You had people who were - there was a guy, a Polish guy, who would do an occasional ayahuasca ceremony where he would invite musicians who would then make music together under then influence of ayahuasca. And then I was invited, because the organizers wanted to know how does ayahuasca connect to broader drug policy reform."

### **Beckley Foundation: Consciousness and Drug Policy Research**

- ▶ Foundation set up in 1998 by Countess Amanda Fielding, descended from the Habsburg family and two illegitimate children of King Charles II of England. In 1970 she became notorious for drilling a hole in her skull in an effort to try and prove that the ancient practice of trepanning has real medical value.
- ▶ [beckleyfoundation.org/about-us/amanda-feilding/](http://beckleyfoundation.org/about-us/amanda-feilding/) (accessed: February 29, 2016): "Amanda Feilding, is the Founder and Executive Director of the Beckley Foundation, a UK-based think-tank and UN-accredited NGO, with two main aims: 1) to reform global drug policy and 2) to research the mechanisms underlying altered states of consciousness and how, and why, these states can be beneficial to mankind. She established the Foundation in 1998, and has since been called the 'hidden hand behind the renaissance of psychedelic science and drug policy reform.' Through the Foundation's Scientific Programme, Amanda collaborates with leading experts and institutions to initiate and direct a wide range of scientific research projects (including clinical trials) investigating the effects of psychoactive substances on brain function, subjective experience, and clinical symptoms, with a focus on cannabis, the psychedelics (LSD, psilocybin, DMT, 5-MeO-DMT) and MDMA. This pioneering research has not only shed

*much light on the mechanisms of action and therapeutic potential of these substances, but also on consciousness itself. One of her most successful achievements was initiating and setting up the Beckley/Imperial Research Programme, which she co-directs with Prof David Nutt. Through the Foundation's Policy Programme, Amanda has greatly influenced global drug policy, with the aim of it being based on health, harm reduction, cost-effectiveness, and respect of human rights. In order to bring about change she organised a series of pivotal international seminars, entitled Drugs & Society: A Rational Perspective; commissioned and published over 40 much-cited books and policy reports; and has advised Heads of State on policy reform – most recently the Jamaican government on forming their new medical cannabis industry. Fascinated by consciousness since childhood, Amanda studied comparative religions and mysticism at Oxford and began investigating the possible beneficial effects of psychedelics in the mid-1960s. In the 1970s, she wrote a booklet entitled Blood & Consciousness and gave exhibitions on the topic of consciousness and its changing states at galleries including PS1 in New York and the ICA in London, where she also showed her film Heartbeat in the Brain. From the 1970s onwards, Amanda watched with dismay the development of the War on Drugs, and felt duty-bound to do whatever she could to remedy its devastating unintended consequences, and to undertake the very best scientific research to remove the taboo from these invaluable compounds."*

- ▶ [beckleyfoundation.org/about/scientific-advisors/](http://beckleyfoundation.org/about/scientific-advisors/) (accessed: February 29, 2016): "SIR COLIN BLAKEMORE, PhD, FMedSci, Hon FRCP, FRS Former Chief Executive of the British Medical Research Council (MRC). Professor of Neuroscience and Philosophy at the School of Advanced Study, University of London, and Emeritus Professor of Neuroscience at the University of Oxford. Director of the Oxford Centre for Cognitive Neuroscience. Author of many books including *The Mind Machine*, *Mechanics of the Mind* and *Vision: Coding and Efficiency*. PROF. GUSTAV BORN MA, DPhil, FRCP, FRS, FKC Emeritus Professor of Pharmacology at King's College London and Professor at the William Harvey Research Institute, St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College. PROF. GORDON CLARIDGE, PhD DSc Emeritus Professor of Abnormal Psychology in Oxford University and Emeritus Fellow of Magdalen College. Fellow of the British Psychological Society, and Author of *The Origins of Mental Illness* and *Schizotypy: Implications for Illness and Health*. PROF. VALERIE CURRAN, PhD Professor of Psychopharmacology at University College London. Principal Editor of *Psychopharmacology* since 2003. DR MARK GEYER, PhD Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry and Neurosciences

and Vice-Chair for Scientific Affairs in Psychiatry at the University of California, San Diego. Former President of the International Behavioral Neuroscience Society. Scientific Advisor to European Union's Innovative Medicine Initiative, and 2011 awardee of Bleuler Prize for Research in the Schizophrenias. PROF. LESTER GRINSPOON, MD Associate Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Psychiatric Association, and was founding editor of the American Psychiatric Association Annual Review and the Harvard Mental Health Letter. Author of Marijuana Reconsidered, Psychedelic Drugs Reconsidered and Marijuana: the Forbidden Medicine. PROF. LESLIE L. IVERSEN, PhD, FRS Chair of the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs, UK, and Visiting Professor of Pharmacology, University of Oxford. Former Director of the MRC Neurochemical Pharmacology Unit, Cambridge. Author of The Science of Marijuana. PROF. YURI E. MOSKALENKO, PhD Head of the Laboratory, Sechenov Institute of Evolutionary Physiology and Biochemistry, Russian Academy of Sciences. Doctor of Sciences, Professor of Physiology, Honour Scientist of The Russian Federation, Academician of International Astronautics Academy. PROF. DAVE E. NICHOLS, PhD Emeritus Professor of Pharmacology, Purdue University, USA, and Adjunct Professor at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, NC. Previously member of numerous NIH, NIMH and NIDA advisory groups. President, co-Founder and Director of the Heffter Research Institute. PROF. DAVID NUTT, MD, FRCP, FRCPsych, FMedSci Head of Neuropsychopharmacology at Imperial College London and Chair of the Independent Scientific Committee on Drugs. President of the European College of Neuropsychopharmacology. Editor of the Journal of Psychopharmacology. Collaborating partner with Amanda Feilding in the Beckley Foundation/Imperial College Psychedelic Research Programme. PROF. ROGER PERTWEE, DPhil, DSc Chair in Neuropharmacology at the University of Aberdeen, Director of Pharmacology for GW Pharmaceuticals, co-chairman of the International Union of Pharmacology (IUPHAR) Subcommittee on Cannabinoid Receptors. PROF. VILAYANUR S. RAMACHANDRAN, MD, PhD Director of the Centre for Brain and Cognition, Distinguished Professor of the Psychology Department and Neuroscience Program, University of California, San Diego. Fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford, and of the Institute for Advanced Studies in Behavioural Sciences at Stanford. Author of books including Phantoms in the Brain, The Tell-Tale Brain and The Emerging Mind. JORDI RIBA PROF. JORDI RIBA, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Pharmacology at the UAB and Associate Researcher at the



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ALEXANDER 'SASHA' SHULGIN, PhD Pharmacologist, chemist and psychoactive drug researcher. Author of PiHKAL, TiHKAL and The Shulgin Index. DR. RONALD SANDISON, MD British psychiatrist and psychotherapist who was a well-known early pioneer in Britain for the clinical use of LSD in psychiatry."

- [beckleyfoundation.org/public-letter/](http://beckleyfoundation.org/public-letter/) (accessed: February 29, 2016): "Beckley Foundation Public Letter: The Global War on Drugs Has Failed. It is Time For a New Approach. ... Yours faithfully, ... Jimmy Carter ... President Vicente Fox, Former President of Mexico ... George P. Schultz [sic: Shultz; also [Pilgrims Society](#) and involved in George Soros' [Drug Policy Alliance](#)]. ... Desmond Tutu [also of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#)]... Sir Richard Branson ... Sting ... Yoko Ono ... [Noam Chomsky](#) ... Amanda Feilding... Complete List of Signatories: ... Sean Parker, Founding President of Facebook, Director of Spotify ... John Perry Barlow, Co-founder of the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) [and] a [Grateful Dead](#) songwriter ... John Whitehead, Former US Deputy Secretary of State [and [Andrew W. Mellon Foundation](#) chair and [Pilgrims Society](#) vice-president] ... Niall Ferguson [top British superclass member] ... Professor Colin Blakemore, Professor of Neuroscience at the University of Oxford and University of Warwick. ... Professor Sir Ian Gilmore, Former President of the Royal College of Physicians. ... Professor Trevor Robbins, Professor of Neuroscience at Cambridge. ... Professor Peter Singer, Professor of Bioethics at Princeton University. ... Carel Edwards, Former Head of the EU Commission's Drug Policy Unit. Lord Mancroft, Chair of the Drug and Alcohol Foundation. Bob Ainsworth, MP, Former UK Secretary of State for Defence. Lord MacDonald, QC, Former Head of the Crown Prosecution Service." also located at: [reformdrugpolicy.com/letter/](http://reformdrugpolicy.com/letter/) (accessed: February 29, 2016).

- April 26, 2015, [The Guardian](#) (copied by George Soros' [AlterNet](#)), 'Is LSD About to Return to Polite Society?': "For 40 years, British countess Amanda Feilding has believed psychedelics are an effective treatment for depression and

anxiety. Now a growing number of scientists agree. ... Why would a society make [psychedelics] illegal? The question has dogged Amanda Feilding since the 1960s, when during her teens and early 20s she first tried psychedelics. Through cannabis, LSD and magic mushrooms she found that the doors of perception were flung wide open. A blissful period of experimentation followed, in the heyday of that swinging decade, before the doors were slammed shut again in what she says was a panic about their dangers. "It was a tragedy," she tells me on a wet morning at Beckley Park, her home outside Oxford. "Ann Shulgin [psychedelics pioneer, and widow of its patron saint, Alexander] is a great friend. She said that on the day they heard they couldn't use LSD or MDMA for their research they were in tears at the loss for the patients. They knew the real value of these substances to aid so many areas that are intractable." Feilding has dedicated her life to the reversal of this proscription, first as an artist and latterly as a tireless supporter of scientific research, courtesy of her Beckley Foundation. ... Feilding would be the first to concede that her background is not that of a neuroscientist. She is descended from the House of Habsburg and can trace a direct line back to Charles II. Beckley Park is a Tudor hunting lodge, a mile down a muddy driveway from the main road. It has three moats and three towers, and inside is a rambling warren of antique furniture and well-stocked fireplaces. As I made my way around, dogs sheltered from the rain under rose-covered stone arches. Courtesy of her husband, Jamie, Feilding is the Countess of Wemyss and March. She is a bit like the cool aunt you never had: a little eccentric around the edges, perhaps, but warm, smart and fiercely devoted to the cause. "My background is a gain and a hindrance," she says. "One is who one is. We lived in this incredibly beautiful house, but we never had any money or heating. I was quite isolated and I've always been something of an outsider." In 1966, when she was 22, she met Bart Huges, a Dutch chemist with whom she had a long romantic relationship. He introduced Feilding to the psychedelics and the science of consciousness, and in particular to his theories about how blood circulates in the brain. ... Huges's other interest was trepanation, the practice of drilling a hole in the skull to expose the outer layers of the brain. Proponents claim that it is one of the earliest forms of surgery – ancient skulls have been found with holes in them – but it is fair to say that modern medical consensus is against it. The zenith of Feilding's experimentation with cerebral circulation was in 1970 when she trepanned herself, an experience that was turned into an art film, *Heartbeat in the Brain*. A short excerpt is on YouTube. In the film the 27-year-old Feilding explains that if the public is not made aware of trepanation's benefits then it will never be available free on

the NHS. Next she chops her fringe off and drills a hole in her forehead. The available clip (the whole film is not online) cuts to the moments after the procedure. Feilding, her head bandaged and white apron stained red, wipes the blood off her face and smiles. "The video is frustrating in terms of public perception," she says. "But trepanation has had subtle but definite benefits for me, and to the other people I know who have had it done. Jamie had chronic headaches until he was trepanned, but not since. I think it has a lot of potential advantages. My theory is that trepanation improves the level of blood circulation round the brain to that of childhood. You get more blood into the brain with each heartbeat, and also an increase in washout of toxins. I'd suggest that cannabis and psychedelics do the same thing, but at a higher level. There are other techniques that can achieve this, like yogic breathing or cranial osteopathy, but trepanation is permanent." ... [Feilding:] "I think people like Timothy Leary did a lot of damage." Leary, the chemist and LSD pioneer, was called America's most dangerous man by President Richard Nixon. "There was a backlash, and the reputation of these drugs was much worse than it should have been. The harm was thoroughly exaggerated. But it left a long trail of anti-LSD feeling." It also put the brakes on a lot of research. Between 1953 and 1973, the US government funded 116 studies of LSD, among thousands of trials in total. Test subjects included those with depression, autism and cancer as well as prisoners. ... Given the magnitude of the problem [of depression], there's huge potential that psilocybin, and maybe other psychedelics, will be a big help. Other researchers are looking at psilocybin to treat alcohol dependency or smoking addiction. And there's also the end-stage anxiety stuff, which has been around for a little while." A small study at UCLA suggested that psilocybin could help terminal cancer patients come to terms with their mortality. In a study led by Roland Griffiths at Johns Hopkins University, more than 70% of 36 patients given psilocybin reported that they had had one of the five most meaningful experiences of their lives."

### Center for Cognitive Liberty and Ethics

- Founded in January 2000 to help protect "freedom of thought". From the beginning the board has been stacked with psychedelic research pioneers. Funding is kept secret, but annual reports indicate a huge dependence on individual donors and foundations.
- 2002 annual report, Center for Cognitive Liberty and Ethics, pp. 16, 21: "Income By Type: Membership contributions: 14%. Publication Sales: 1%. Individual Donors: 64%."

*Grants/Foundations: 21%. ...*

*Directors: Richard Glen Boire [executive]. Wrye Sententia. Board of Advisors: John Perry Barlow. Ram Dass. Rick Doblin, Ph.D. Alex Grey. Lester Grinspoon, M.D. [Harvard Medical School; author Marijuana Reconsidered and co-author of Psychedelics Reconsidered]. Laura Archera Huxley. Ralph Metzner, Ph.D. Jonathan Ott. ... Douglas Rushkoff. Alexander T. Shulgin, Ph.D. Myron Stolaroff, M.A. ... While we pursue both private and public grants, the controversial and complex nature of our mission means that the CCLE relies heavily on individual donations [does not list names, however]."*

- ▶ 2002, [Tides Foundation](#) grants lists: "Center for Cognitive Liberty and Ethics: \$10,000."
- ▶ 2003, [Rex Foundation](#) grants list: "Center for Cognitive Liberty & Ethics: \$5,000"
- ▶ 2004-2005, [San Francisco Foundation](#), from 990 grants list: "Center for Cognitive Liberty & Ethics: \$20,000."

### **Cottonwood Research Foundation**

- ▶ Founded in 2007 by DMT researcher Dr. Rick Strassman, who first came to the [Esalen Institute](#) in 1985 and later became a [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest. Long-standing researcher of the pineal gland, first with regard to melatonin and later DMT. Makes the case that DMT is produced by the pineal gland. The very well-known documentary *The Spirit Molecule* is about Strassman's work and 2001 book, a book that came about as a result of grants from the Grateful Dead's [Rex Foundation](#) and Barnhart Foundation/[MAPS](#), all closely tied to the Rockefeller interests. Almost everyone Strassman thanks in his book comes from the Esalen Institute network and has received a degree of Rockefeller, Soros, or related backing.
- ▶ Based on DMT research in the mid-1990s at the University of New Mexico, where he was an associate professor of psychiatry, Strassman also theorizes that alien abductions might be related to beings living in an alternate reality. No direct superclass financing has been established for his work at this point, but certainly very strong indirect financing. Also, Strassman's path since Esalen is a familiar one and one has to come to terms with the fact that the alien abduction phenomenon has been [manipulated into existence](#), in a large part by Laurance Rockefeller, who first became a backer of Dr. John Mack through the Esalen Institute.
  - ▶ 2001, Dr. Rick Strassman, 'DMT: The Spirit Molecule', "Advance Praise" by Laurance Rockefeller agent Dr. John Mack: "*Strassman's important research contributes to a growing awareness that we inhabit a multidimensional universe that is far more complex and interesting than*

*the one our scientific theories have shown us. It is of the utmost importance that we face the implications of this discovery, for it has so much to tell us about who we are and why we are here."*

- ▶ 2001, Dr. Rick Strassman, 'DMT: The Spirit Molecule', "Advance Praise" by the Laurance Rockefeller-funded (through the [Green Earth Foundation](#) and the [Heffter Research Institute](#)) Dr. Ralph Metzner: *"Strassman's important research contributes to a growing awareness that we inhabit a multidimensional universe that is far more complex and interesting than the one our scientific theories have shown us. It is of the utmost importance that we face the implications of this discovery, for it has so much to tell us about who we are and why we are here."*
- ▶ 2007, Jeffrey Kripal, 'Esalen: America and the Religion of No Religion', pp. 375-376: *"Consider, for example, the more recent work of Rick Strassman, another Esalen seminar participant who first came to Esalen in 1985 to speak about the pineal gland and its relationship to consciousness. Later Strassman acquired a permit from the Drug Enforcement Agency and Food and Drug Administration to experiment with DMT within a major research project at the University of New Mexico. From 1990 to 1995, Strassman administered approximately four hundred doses of DMT to sixty volunteers in a controlled lab setting. Strassman's results are certainly more staid than McKenna's (whose wouldn't be?), and he notes some discomfort with McKenna's popularizing presence. [40] Nevertheless, much that he has to say is uncannily in line with McKenna's "true enough" hallucinations. Strassman argues that the pineal gland, which (following Descartes) he calls the seat of the soul, [41] secretes DMT in traumatic and ecstatic contexts, and that this "spirit molecule" is the secret catalyst of dreaming, schizophrenia, mystical experience, near-death experiences, and the alien abduction phenomenon (which is not to reduce any of these states to the chemical compound per se). [42] ... Most interestingly of all, however, is the fact that Strassman willingly shut down his own research program in 1995, partly because his volunteers were routinely encountering insect-like or elfin "aliens," some of whom were devouring, probing, sexually engaging, or even occasionally raping them. Strassman became convinced that these were not simple projections (in McKenna's phrase, we might say that they were "true hallucinations"). Strassman speculates that DMT acts as a kind of "reality barometer," or, to use another metaphor, that the spirit molecule is somehow*

able to change the channels on the television set of the brain, thus giving us almost immediate access to parallel universes..."

- ▶ 2010, Graham Hancock, 'Supernatural', p. 754: "*[Strassman quote:] John [Mack] thought there were striking similarities [between his abduction research and my DMT research], and I think, if time had permitted [and Mack didn't die], might have agreed to collaborate on a study giving DMT to some of his subjects, to determine how close the two phenomena were. I haven't followed up with such a study. Many of the notes I've gotten from people since the book came out to confirm what I believe -- that is, many of those who have their spontaneous 'being contact' experience appear to be having what otherwise would be indistinguishable from a big dose of DMT on our clinical research unit. Some people have argued against my theory by pointing to the lack of physical 'stigmata' of abduction, and the relatively sparse (nearly zero) reports of the typical 'greys' of the literature.*"
- ▶ 2001, Dr. Rick Strassman, 'DMT: The Spirit Molecule', pp. 84, 92-93: *"A paper I wrote in San Diego on adverse reactions to psychedelics, published while I was performing the melatonin project, drew the attention of Rick Doblin, a tireless fund- and consciousness-raiser for psychedelic drug research. He invited me to a conference [apparently at the [Esalen Institute](#)] in 1985, where I met the major figures of the psychedelic research and therapy field. Representatives from a wide variety of disciplines joined together for wide-ranging, far-reaching discussions about what to make of, and do with, the psychedelic experience. These new colleagues provided support, inspiration, valuable experience, and crucial information. They made it much easier to begin conceptualizing how a psychedelic research project actually might look. ... My psychedelic colleagues weren't especially optimistic about a DMT project's chances for success. The MDMA affair had demoralized many. "You know what?" one predicted. "The only paper you'll ever write is how you couldn't do it. Look at how your MDMA protocol fared." However, I had been working alone in my MDMA project. For the DMT study I had the support and advice of Daniel X. Freedman, M.D. [studied LSD at Yale; chair psychiatry department at the University of Chicago; vice-chair psychiatry department UCLA; president APA; editor [Archives of General Psychiatry](#)] I met Danny Freedman in 1987 at one of the many scientific meetings I was beginning to attend. Such conferences, and the networking occurring at them, is part of the ritual of establishing a successful research career. ... In our meetings and correspondence,*

*Freedman predicated any help he would provide me upon the premise that my DMT research would focus solely on pharmacology. He thought psychotherapy research would result in irrational enthusiasm, questionable results, and scientific controversy."*

- ▶ 2001, Dr. Rick Strassman, 'DMT: The Spirit Molecule', XI: *"The late Daniel X. Freedman, M.D., from UCLA's Department of Psychiatry, advocated for these projects at all levels and was instrumental in my obtaining crucial early funding. Staff at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration were extraordinarily flexible and responsive to the unusual circumstances of this research. ... David Nichols, Ph.D., from Purdue University, made the DMT, without which the research never would have occurred. At every turn, the University of New Mexico School of Medicine provided academic, physical, and administrative support for my work. Walter Winslow, M.D., chairman of the Department of Psychiatry, gave me great latitude as one of his only clinical research scientists at the time. Samuel Keith, M.D., continued with outstanding administrative and academic assistance and counsel after Dr. Winslow retired. Alan Frank, M.D., chair of the university's Human Research Ethics Committee, handled my requests with consistency and evenhandedness."*
- ▶ 2001, Dr. Rick Strassman, 'DMT: The Spirit Molecule', pp. XI-XII: *"A generous research grant from the Scottish Rite Foundation for Schizophrenia Research helped establish the earliest phases of the DMT project's scientific merit. Later, more substantial funding for the DMT and psilocybin research came from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, a division of the U.S. National Institutes of Health. For the writing of this book, John Barlow [John Perry Barlow, of the elite-backed [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) and [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#)] and the [Rex Foundation](#), as well as Andrew Stone, provided crucial financial kindling, while support from the Barnhart Foundation later set the project blazing forth. Rick Doblin at the [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies](#) graciously and generously administered the Stone and Barnhart support. Ned Naumes of the Barnhart Foundation and Sylvia Thiessen and Carla Higdon at MAPS seamlessly coordinated the movement in and out of grant monies. Friends, colleagues, students, teachers, and mentors over the years have contributed ideas and support to this project [most from the [Esalen Institute](#)]: ... Ram Dass, David Deutsch, ... Charles Grob, Stan Grof, ... George Greer*



[board Rockefeller-backed [Heffter Research Institute](#)], ... Oscar Janiger, ... [the Rockefeller-backed] John Mack, [the Rockefeller-backed] Dennis and Terence McKenna, ... Ralph Metzner [founder Rockefeller-backed [Heffter Research Institute](#)], ... Ethan Nadelmann [executive director of Soros' [Drug Policy Alliance](#)], ... Karl Pribram, ... [Rockefeller-backed] Rupert Sheldrake, Alexander and Ann Shulgin, ... Myron Stolaroff, ... Charles Tart, ... Andrew Weil... Several people additionally read all or part of the manuscript and commented liberally and helpfully on the work-in-progress: Robert Barnhart, Rick Doblin... I am grateful to my former Zen Buddhist community's late abbot, and to the monastic and extended lay communities for their teaching, guidance, and a powerful model of mystical pragmatism. "

► 2001, Dr. Rick Strassman, 'DMT: The Spirit Molecule', Introduction: "I was drawn to DMT because of its presence in all of our bodies. I believed the source of this DMT was the mysterious pineal gland, a tiny organ situated in the center of our brains. Modern medicine knows little about this little gland's role, but it has a rich "metaphysical" history. Descartes, for example, believed the pineal was the "seat of the soul," and both Western and Eastern mystical traditions place our highest spiritual center within its confines. I therefore wondered if excessive pineal DMT production was involved in naturally occurring "psychedelic" states. These might include birth, death and near-death, psychosis, and mystical experiences. Only later, when the study was well underway, did I also begin considering DMT's role in the "alien abduction" experience. ... Those who have undergone "alien abduction," and their advocates, may interpret my suggestion that DMT is intimately involved in these events as a challenge to the "reality" of their experiences. Opponents and supporters of abortion rights may find fault with my proposal that a pineal DMT release at forty-nine days after conception marks the entrance of the spirit into the fetus."

► January 8, 2010, PsychedelicPress.co.uk, 'DMT and literature: An interview with Rick Strassman': "Rick Strassman M.D. is the author of *DMT: The Spirit Molecule*, a modern psychedelic classic, which chronicles Rick's experiences conducting a human research trial with DMT between 1990-1995. He's been kind enough to lend PsyppressUK his thoughts on psychedelic literature, writing and his latest projects. The depth and breadth to which psychedelic literature reaches is increasingly vast. Rick mentioned a variety of works including *LSD Psychotherapy* by Stanislav Grof, *Peter Stafford's Psychedelic Encyclopaedia* and *My Problem Child* by Albert



Hofmann, when PsyppressUK asked him to cite some works that have influenced him over the years. All of which have seemingly helped shape the man. Born in Los Angeles, California in 1952, Rick Strassman went on to attend the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Yeshiva University in New York, where he obtained a medical degree with honours in 1977. With much of his working life dedicated to psychiatry, Rick also held strong Buddhist beliefs and it appears that this dichotomy has exerted a strong force on the paths of his life. This very same coupling of, seemingly different, ideas is evident in other psychedelic works Rick cited as influences. Ram Dass' *Be Here Now* "introduced me to the overlap between psychedelics and spirituality, especially Eastern Religions" and, psychedelic favourite Aldous Huxley, in whose *The Perennial Philosophy* Rick saw "the vastness of philosophical-religious world literature." Indeed, Huxley's style was a benchmark: "I loved Huxley's writing, and decided I wanted to sound as he did when I wrote." ... Whilst writing the book represented a challenge in itself, the content also paid service to the challenges that clinical research in psychedelics brought. Again, psychedelic literature had helped point the way, for example: "[Timothy] Leary's *Flashbacks*" showed me what paths to avoid in resuming US research with these drugs."

► Strassman's Cottonwood Research Foundation:

► [cottonwoodresearch.org/about-us/](http://cottonwoodresearch.org/about-us/) (accessed: March 25, 2016): "- **Rick Strassman**, MD, President: Dr. Rick Strassman took his internship and general psychiatry residency at the University of California, Davis, Medical Center in Sacramento, and received the Sandoz Award for outstanding graduating resident in 1981. At UNM, Dr. Strassman performed clinical research investigating the function of the pineal hormone melatonin in which his research group documented the first known role of melatonin in humans. He also began the first new US government approved and funded clinical research with psychedelic drugs in over twenty years. Before leaving the University in 1995, he attained the rank of tenured Associate Professor of Psychiatry, and received the UNM General Clinical Research Center's Research Scientist Award.

- **Steve Barker**, PhD, Vice President: Dr. Steven A. Barker, recipient of the Everett D. Besch Distinguished Professor of Veterinary Medicine, researchs the Analytical Toxicology and the Neurochemistry of Hallucinogens at the Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine. Research into the absorption, distribution, metabolism and clearance of hallucinogens, their mechanisms of action and their role as naturally

occurring neurohormones. Studies are directed at characterization of neural pathways affected by hallucinogens and their related roles in the regulation of perception/cognition in health and disease.

- **Andrew Stone**, Sec/Treasurer: Andrew Stone has been actively researching mystical states and consciousness for over 38 years. He is founder and chief computer scientist at Stone Design, a software firm that develops innovative software such as Videator that can emulate and stimulate altered states of consciousness."

- ▶ [cottonwoodresearch.org/active-projects/](http://cottonwoodresearch.org/active-projects/) (accessed: March 25, 2016): "We're excited to announce the publication of a paper documenting the presence of DMT in the pineal glands of live rodents. The paper appears in the journal *Biomedical Chromatography* **\*\*click here for article\*\*** and describes experiments that took place in Dr. Jimo Borjigin's laboratory at the University of Michigan, where samples were collected. The pineal gland has been an object of great interest regarding consciousness for thousands of years, and a pineal source of DMT would help support a role for this enigmatic gland in unusual states of consciousness. Research at the University of Wisconsin has recently demonstrated the presence of the DMT-synthesizing enzyme as well as activity of the gene responsible for the enzyme in pineal (and retina). Our new data now establish that the enzyme actively produces DMT in the pineal. The next step is to determine the presence of DMT in cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), the fluid that bathes the brain and pineal. CSF is a possible route for pineal-synthesized DMT to effect changes in brain function. Successfully establishing DMT's presence in this gland adds another link in the chain between the pineal and consciousness and opens new avenues for research. We thank those who have already donated to our advancement of the research in this field. We hope the recent developments will encourage you to donate to Cottonwood again, or for the first time, in order to continue this fascinating and intriguing line of research. When donating, please make sure you select "Pineal Project" as the specific project. ...

The documentary *DMT: THE SPIRIT MOLECULE*, inspired by the research recounted in Dr. Rick Strassman's best-selling book by the same name, has been picked up by Warner Bros distributing and is now available for rent, purchase, download, and streaming from a large number of sites (<http://www.thespiritmolecule.com>). Cottonwood is proud to have been the movie's fiscal sponsor. Kudos to producer Mitch Schultz for completing the outstanding

*film and so successfully marketing it. As an indication of the movie's popularity, in January 2012 the Guild Theater in Albuquerque scheduled two screenings for the film with Rick Strassman and Andrew Stone (secretary-treasurer of Cottonwood) in attendance to take questions and provide valuable background to the film. In addition, many former volunteers joined in and contributed their perspective of having participated. A third screening was hastily scheduled and that, too, sold out!"*

## Erowid

- ▶ Erowid is a very prominent psychedelics information website founded in 1996. Even anno 2016 it has a terrible design with low quality information. What it does have is a board of directors, indicating foundation money. Turns out, Erowid has been financially supported by [MAPS](#), in turn connected to the Rockefeller and Pritzker interests.
- ▶ Dr. Dennis McKenna of the [Green Earth Foundation](#) and [Heffter Research Institute](#), two groups financed by Laurance Rockefeller, has been plugging Erowid forever.
- ▶ The site had a record of *"1,062 donations in one month"* for September 2015. Condering the operating costs of the site are a few dollars per month, it appears all that money goes to paying the salaries of "Fire" and "Earth" Erowid. They certainly haven't put it in hiring a half-decent web designer.
- ▶ In October 2017 Erowid reported it *"got 1,225 donations in September, the most ever in a single month. We've gotten 1 more donation than last year!"* Still no improvements to the layout.
- ▶ April 20, 2010, Wired magazine, 'Modern Psychedelic Scientists Find Data in Countercultural Past': *"A lot of that knowledge sits on the website, Erowid.org, where tens of thousands of people have posted their experiences with a bewildering array of substances. [Rick] Doblin, it turns out, went to college with Fire and Earth Erowid, the couple that runs the website. [The Rockefeller-connected] MAPS has supported Erowid financially and Doblin considers the site a valuable source for which psychedelics are most likely to be approved by the FDA for medical use. "How do we decide which ones are the best? There are people who have tried all the drugs and they send in their reports to Erowid, etc," Doblin said. "We have drugs we believe work, we just have to prove that they work.""*
- ▶ 2010 annual grants list, Tides Foundation: *"Erowid Center: 3,000.00..."*

## Ethnobotanical Stewardship Council

- ▶ Founded by Josh Wickerham, a close ally of psychedelic gurus and newcomers as [Dr. Dennis McKenna](#) and [Amber Lyon](#).
- ▶ [ethnobotanicalcouncil.org/about/governance/](http://ethnobotanicalcouncil.org/about/governance/) (accessed: October 19, 2017): *"For its first year, the ESC was registered under a social enterprise charter (low profit limited liability corporation), which allowed the ESC to receive donations from our fiscal sponsors, MAPS and ICEERS, while working under their oversight of the ESC budget and expenditures. The board ... is comprised of Joshua Wickerham (ESC Executive Director) ... Rick Doblin (MAPS...), and Jag Davies ([Drug Policy Alliance](#), Director, Communications Strategy). It is expected that the board will be expanded to include other stakeholders and donors."*
- ▶ [joshuawickerham.com/about/](http://joshuawickerham.com/about/): *"I currently collaborate with and for a wide range of groups and individuals, including the World Wildlife Fund (WWF), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the ISEAL Alliance, DotEco, and many others. From 2007 to 2010, I acted as China Representative for the international nonprofit AccountAbility, working with government, corporate, and civil society stakeholders on sustainable development policy, standards, and services. Since 2006, I have worked with [Jane Goodall](#) and the Jane Goodall Institute in China and the United States. Before that, I collaborated with a number of grass-roots civil society organizations. These experiences have helped me understand organizational sustainability concerns from the grassroots level to the board level. ... My higher education was at the University of Michigan, where I majored in history and American culture. I received my Master's in International and Pacific Affairs at the University of California San Diego's graduate school of International Relations and Pacific Studies. While at UC San Diego, I also attended Tsinghua University's School of Public Policy and Management, focusing on the development of civil society in China. I speak, read, and write fluent Mandarin Chinese. I also speak, read, and write intermediate Spanish and elementary Thai. My works have appeared in compilations, books, encyclopedias, and publications like the Harvard Gay and Lesbian Review, Fortune China, the Guardian UK, ChinaDialogue, others. I speak frequently on issues related to my interests in international civil society, sustainable development, corporate social responsibility, conscientious consumerism, and the guqin (the Chinese zither). I have spoken at the Ross School of Business's Asia Business Conference, the Harvard Asia Business Conference, the ISEAL Alliance Annual Conference, and dozens of fora across China involving issues of corporate responsibility, competitiveness, sustainable trade, and voluntary sustainability standards."*

► Jane Goodall:

- Co-chairman of the Rockefeller-financed [State of the World Forum](#) in the mid 1990s. Maurice Strong and CNN's new age billionaire [Ted Turner](#) were among her co-chairmen.
- Twice given a Ted Talk, which people shouldn't underestimate how elite it is.
- In 2013 Goodall was invited to speak at the Continuity Forum of the even more elite Americas Business Council Foundation (ABCF). It was founded by the son of a [1001 Club](#) member and counts Jay Rockefeller, a son of Senator Jay Rockefeller, among its fellows. Speakers included David de Rothschild, Rockefeller economist Larry Summers and Desmond Tutu (of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#)), but also new left gurus as the [Amber Lyon](#)-supporter New York Times contributor [Nick Kristof](#) and Arianna Huffington of the [Huffington Post](#).
- Wickerham was a speaker at the 2014 [World Ayahuasca Conference](#).

## Drug Policy Alliance

- [drugpolicy.org/about/history/](#) (accessed: June 22, 2008): *"The Drug Policy Alliance Network, and its partner organization the Drug Policy Alliance, were formed in July 2000 when The Lindesmith Center, an activist drug policy think-tank established in 1994, merged with the Drug Policy Foundation, a membership and grant making organization established in 1987, to create the world's leading drug policy reform organization of people who believe the war on drugs is doing more harm than good. The Lindesmith Center (TLC) was founded in 1994 by Ethan Nadelmann, JD, PhD, a professor of politics at Princeton University, whose writings on drug policy had attracted international attention. The Lindesmith Center, named after Prof. Alfred Lindesmith, an Indiana University professor who was the first prominent scholar in the U.S. to challenge conventional thinking about drugs, addiction and drug policy, became the first domestic project of George Soros's [Open Society Institute](#) (OSI). It rapidly emerged as the leading drug policy reform advocacy institute in the United States."*
- [drugpolicy.org/staff-and-board/board-directors](#) (January 28, 2016): *"Board: ... Ethan Nadelmann, JD, PhD, Executive Director ... [George Soros](#) ... U. S. Honorary Board: Former Mayor Rocky Anderson. Harry Belafonte. Former Defense Secretary Frank Carlucci [and Carlyle Group chair and CIA*

Safari Club veteran]. [Deepak Chopra](#). Congressman John Conyers, Jr. Walter Cronkite [1916-2009]. [Ram Dass](#). Dr. Vincent Dole [1913-2006]. Former Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders. U.S. District Court Judge Nancy Gertner. (Ret.) Former Police Chief Penny Harrington. Calvin Hill. [Arianna Huffington](#). Former Governor Gary Johnson. U.S. District Court Judge John Kane. Former Attorney General Nicholas deB. Katzenbach [1922-2012]. Former Police Chief Joseph McNamara [1934-2014]. Former Police Commissioner Patrick V. Murphy [1920-2011]. Dr. Beny J. Primm. Dennis Rivera. Former Mayor Kurt Schmoke. Dr. Charles Schuster [1930-2011]. Alexander Shulgin [1925-2014]. Former Secretary of State George P. Shultz [[Pilgrims Society](#)]. Russell Simmons. U.S. District Court Judge Robert Sweet. Former Chairman of the Federal Reserve Paul Volcker [[Pilgrims Society](#)]. International Honorary Board (In Formation): Richard Branson. Ruth Dreifuss. Václav Havel [1936-2011]. Sting."

- ▶ July 13, 2015, New York Post, Page Six column, 'Nancy Pelosi downs coffee after Hamptons parties kept her up': *"After being kept up till 4 a.m. Sunday by partyers at hip Hamptons hotel The Capri, Nancy Pelosi, 75, needed caffeine. ... That evening she was honored at the Southampton home of George Soros with a dinner for 40 top donors, including Edgar Bronfman Jr., Rep. Steve Israel, Planned Parenthood's Alexis McGill Johnson, Ethan Nadelmann, attorney William D. Zabel, and Philip Munger, son of Berkshire Hathaway's Charles Munger [vice chairman under Warren Buffett]. On Friday, Pelosi was in the city meditating with the Dalai Lama to celebrate his 80th birthday."*

## Green Earth Foundation

- ▶ Set up in 1988 by Dr. Ralph Metzner, an old friend and co-author of [Harvard psychedelic pioneers](#) Dr. Timothy Leary and Dr. Richard Alpert (Ram Dass), with the help of fellow psychedelic researcher and future Coast to Coast AM visitor [Dr. Dennis McKenna](#), the brother of psychedelic holiness, scam artist and Art Bell/Coast to Coast AM visitor [Terence McKenna](#).
- ▶ Reportedly the Green Earth Foundation was financed by Laurance Rockefeller, which makes sense considering the type of foundation and the fact that Laurance Rockefeller certainly financed the next entity of Metzner and Dennis McKenna: the [Heffter Research Institute](#), focused on psychedelic research.
- ▶ Sources/details:
  - ▶ [Bizpedia.com/ca/green-earth-foundation.html](#) (accessed: June 6, 2015): *"Company name: Green Earth Foundation.*

File Number: C1502046. Filing State: California (CA).  
Filing Status: Active. Filing Date: April 6, 1988."

- ▶ 2012, Brad Steiger, 'Conspiracies and Secret Societies: The Complete Dossier': *"Laurance also funded the Green Earth Foundation, headed by Terence McKenna, who traveled the globe collecting psychoactive plants..."*
- ▶ [blockyourid.com/~gbpprorg/mil/mindcontrol/hambone/rockefeller.html](http://blockyourid.com/~gbpprorg/mil/mindcontrol/hambone/rockefeller.html) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"Supporter of the Green Earth Foundation, headed up by Terrance "DMT Elves" McKenna. ([Fall 1995:] Chevalier, Remy, "When Cosmic Cultures Meet", Paranoia, Issue 10, pg 11)"*
- ▶ [greeneearthfound.org/geo/con\\_studies.html](http://greeneearthfound.org/geo/con_studies.html) (accessed: June 6, 2015): *"Consciousness Studies - Related Sites: ... Ram Dass -- Home page for the pioneer psychedelic researcher and spiritual teacher. Includes books and audio-tapes available and updates on his medical status and recovery from stroke. ... The John E. Mack Institute [for alien abductions]... Rupert Sheldrake, Morphogenetic Fields and Animal Telepathy ... Russell Targ - Remote Viewing and Spiritual Healing ... Charles Tart -- Well-known psychologist and author on altered states of consciousness, psychedelic drug states, parapsychology and spiritual growth, especially Gurdjieff's approach. ... [Drug Policy Alliance](#) [of George Shultz, George Soros and the like] ... Peter Dale Scott - The Drug War and Covert Politics. ... [The Heffter Research Institute](#) - This is a non-profit institute devoted to high-quality scientific and medical research on psychedelics, both in the US and internationally. Founding directors include David Nichols, Ph.D., Charles Grob, M.D., Dennis McKenna, Ph.D., Mark Geyer, Ph.D., George Greer, M.D. and others."*
- ▶ January-February 1995, [Mother Jones](#) magazine (advertisement): *"Green Earth Foundation is an educational and research organization dedicated to healing and harmonizing the relationships between humanity and the Earth."*
- ▶ [greeneearthfound.org/geo/psycho\\_sham.html](http://greeneearthfound.org/geo/psycho_sham.html), Ralph Metzner, 'Hallucinogenic Drugs and Plants in Psychotherapy and Shamanism' (accessed: June 6, 2015): *"During the 1980's I came into contact with the work of Michael Harner (1973), Joan Halifax (1982), Peter Furst (1972, 1976), Terence and Dennis McKenna (1975) and others, who have studied shamanic teachings and practices around the globe. "*

- ▶ The Harvard Psychedelic Project was active in 1960-1963. Key researchers included Dr. Timothy Leary, Dr. Richard Alpert, Dr. Ralph Metzner and a number of others. Leary first brought in psilocybin from psychedelic mushrooms for research, but the group soon switched to LSD as a psychedelic substance with enormous potential for psychological treatment. DMT was also experimented with. The project quickly became more controversial and eventually was halted in 1963 with the firing of Leary and Alpert. Leary and Alpert soon ended up at the giant Millbrook estate of the Mellon/Hitchcock family where they continued their less-than-clinical research with psychedelic substances. Dr. Ralph Metzner joined them. From 1963 to 1967 Millbrook was the key center of the East Coast for the emerging hippie movement. The group was in close contact with Ken Kesey, [The Grateful Dead](#), John Lennon, Joan Baez, Jim Morrison, The Moody Blues, The Who, Jimi Hendrix and possibly other musicians that promoted the use of psychedelics. Leary soon became an international psychedelic fugitive, Alpert became Hindu guru Ram Dass, and Metzner later teamed up with Dr. Dennis McKenna in the [Green Earth Foundation](#) and the [Heffter Research Institute](#).
- ▶ Millbrook and the Mellon/Hitchcock family:
  - ▶ February 22, 1973, New York Times, 'Mellon Relative Is Indicted For \$543,800 in Tax Evasion': *"William Mellon Hitchcock, 33 years old, of Tucson, Arizona, a member of Pittsburgh's wealthy Mellon family and one-time associate of Dr. Timothy Leary, the drug cultist...."*
  - ▶ June 25, 2006, New York Times book review, 'Timothy Leary: A Biography,' by Robert Greenfield; The Nutty Professor: *"Around the same time, the psychedelic caravan picked up the Hitchcock siblings, Peggy, Billy and Tommy, heirs to the Mellon fortune, and through them acquired the use of a fabulous rambling house and huge estate in Millbrook, N.Y. This became the headquarters of Leary and gang for the better part of five years, a period filled with endless parties, epiphanies and breakdowns, emotional dramas of all sizes, and numerous raids and arrests, many of them on flimsy charges concocted by the local assistant district attorney, G. Gordon Liddy. It was also at Millbrook that Leary, Alpert and Ralph Metzner wrote "The Psychedelic Experience" (1964), which contained the injunction to "turn off your mind, relax, float downstream," appropriated two years later by John Lennon for "Tomorrow Never Knows," the last song on "Revolver." (Leary's epochal "Turn on, tune in, drop out" was first spoken by him at a conference in San Francisco in 1966.)"*
  - ▶ 1996, Rock Scully, 'Living with the Dead: Twenty Years on the Bus with Garcia and the Grateful Dead', pp. 114-118:



*"Millbrook is LSD East, an estate in upstate New York where Timothy Leary is living. ... It's a huge rambling sixty-eight-room [64 room] mansion where Leary and his flock hang out. He's all dressed in white and bare feet. ... Despite the fact that he hadn't wanted us here in the first place, the following evening Billy Hitchcock [William Mellon Hitchcock] calls everyone he knows in New York and tells them "The Grateful Dead's at my house in Millbrook and they're gonna play for us!" provoking a great exodus of affluent acid-eaters and the curious rich from New York City. The band sets up in a corner of the living room of the bungalow. "Living room" being another colossal understatement. It's actually a great hall large enough for Beowulf and his soldiers to carouse in. All Billy Hitchcock's rich friends and all the Learyites file in to see us play. There must have been seventy-five people, plus the seventy-five that were already living on the property."*

- ▶ It's important to understand that Henry Luce of Time-Life (and the [Pilgrims Society](#)) was the first prominent enthusiasts and promoter of LSD. It is also his Time publication that published Gordon Wasson's famous May 1957 article *Seeking the Magic Mushroom* that brought psychedelic mushrooms (psilocybin) to the awareness of the American public. The article inspired Dr. Timothy Leary to start testing psilocybin at Harvard for therapeutic use in 1960. It took Leary a few more months to learn about LSD, which Luce was already experimenting with by this time.
- ▶ April 23, 2007, Time magazine, 'When the Elite loved LSD' (a very condescending article regarding psychedelics): *"[Gordon] Wasson and his buddy's [1955] mushroom trip might have been lost to history, but he was so enraptured by the experience that on his return to New York, he kept talking about it to friends. As Jay Stevens recalls in his 1987 book Storming Heaven: LSD and the American Dream, one day during lunch at the Century Club, an editor at [Henry Luce's] Time Inc. (the parent company of TIME) overheard Wasson's tale of adventure. The editor commissioned a first-person narrative for Life. ... The most important person to discover drugs through the Life piece was Timothy Leary himself. Leary had never used drugs, but a friend recommended the article to him, and Leary eventually traveled to Mexico to take mushrooms. ... In other words, you can draw a woozy but vivid line from the sedate offices of J.P. Morgan and Time Inc. in the '50s to Haight-Ashbury in the 60's to a zillion drug-rehab center sin the 70's. Long, strange trip indeed. ... In 1958, Time Inc. cofounder Henry Luce and his wife Clare Booth Luce*

*dropped acid with a psychiatrist. Henry Luce conducted an imaginary symphony during his trip, according to Storming Heaven."*

- ▶ June 21, 2010, Slate magazine, 'The Time and Life Acid Trip: How Henry R. Luce and Clare Boothe Luce helped turn America on LSD'

## Heffter Research Institute

- ▶ One of two important psychedelic research centers in the United States, the other being the Rockefeller and Pritzker-backed [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#). It was founded in 1993 by Dr. Ralph Metzner, an old friend and co-author of [Harvard psychedelic pioneers](#) Dr. Timothy Leary and Dr. Richard Alpert (Ram Dass), with the help of fellow psychedelic researcher and future Coast to Coast AM visitor [Dr. Dennis McKenna](#), the brother of psychedelic holiness, scam artist and Art Bell/Coast to Coast AM visitor [Terence McKenna](#).
- ▶ Heffter has received financing from Laurance Rockefeller and old Bill Gates friend Bob Wallace:
  - ▶ March 13, 2001, New York Times, 'Scientists Test Hallucinogens For Mental Ills': *"Dr. [David E.] Nichols is the founder of the Heffter Research Institute, begun in 1993 and named for Arthur Heffter, a 19th century chemist who was the first person to identify a hallucinogenic molecule, mescaline, which he extracted from peyote. Backed by private donors like Laurance S. Rockefeller and Bob Wallace, a Microsoft millionaire [and old Bill Gates friend], the institute is financing clinical trials with LSD, psilocybin and other hallucinogens to treat phobias, depression, obsessive compulsive disorders and substance abuse, said James Thornton, its executive director. ... For example, Dr. Nichols, an expert on hallucinogenic drugs, said there were reports that symptoms of obsessive compulsive disorder, like washing one's hands dozens of times a day, subside under the influence of psilocybin, a hallucinogen derived from mushrooms. Dying patients given LSD have reported less pain and less fear, he said. Ayahuasca (a Brazilian plant extract) and peyote (derived from cactus) have reportedly helped alcoholics stay sober."*
  - ▶ Donations of the [San Francisco Foundation](#) (Rockefeller, Trilateral Commission and Ford Foundation-linked for many decades) (only a few years are available):
    - ▶ 2004-2005, San Francisco Foundation, from 990 grants list: *"Heffter Research Institute: \$25,000 [and] \$25,000..."*
  - ▶ Other foundation financing of Heffter:

- ▶ 2000 grants list, [Tides Foundation](#): *"Heffter Research Institute: \$25,000."*
- ▶ 2005 grants list, [Tides Foundation](#): *"Heffter Research Institute: \$5,000."*
- ▶ [RiverStyx Foundation](#): [grantmakers.io/profiles/v0/943373712-riverstyx-foundation/](http://grantmakers.io/profiles/v0/943373712-riverstyx-foundation/) (accessed: October 12, 2017): *"Heffter Research Institute (2015): ... \$ 217,000..."*

## Ibogaine lobby

- ▶ July 11, 1998, The Times Magazine (London), 'Ibogaine, One Dose Of This Drug Could Cure Any Addiction...': *"George Soros, the billionaire businessman with an enlightened attitude to US drug policy, regularly sponsors ibogaine seminars in New York, but big business backing is palpably lacking."* [ibogaine.desk.nl/witter.html](http://ibogaine.desk.nl/witter.html)

## Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS)

- ▶ MAPS was founded in 1986 by Rick Doblin as a continuation of his quest to get MDMA/XTC legalized so it can be found out if it has any medical use (turns out, it has). Doblin's cause was inspired by Dr. Stanislov Grof, an East-Bloc LSD researcher of the 1950s and 1960s who, after LSD was banned as a legal substance - even for medical/psychological research - shifted his focus to MDMA. In 1981, during one of his workshops at the [Ford Foundation](#), [Carnegie Corporation](#) and Laurance Rockefeller-backed [Esalen Institute](#), Grof inspired then 28-year-old college student Rick Doblin, an old LSD tripper and major [Grateful Dead](#) fan, to pick up the MDMA cause. Grof later went to [CIIS](#), primarily financed by Laurance Rockefeller, who also had a deep involvement in Esalen.
- ▶ In more recent years MAPS has received financing from the [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), the [Tides Foundation](#) (\$35,000 in 2004. \$20,000 in 2005. \$40,000 in 2007. \$15,000 in 2008. \$9,900 in 2009. \$10,000 in 2011.), the Tides-controlled [Threshold Foundation](#), the [RiverStyx Foundation](#) and \$1 million from David Rockefeller's son, the late Dr. Richard Rockefeller. Senator Jay Rockefeller and Dr. Richard Rockefeller successfully opened academic doors for MAPS to carry out PTSD research. MAPS also receives major support from the billionaire Pritzker family ([Libra Foundation](#)), which had close ties to the Obama administration and has various members in the CFR.
- ▶ Donations of the [San Francisco Foundation](#) (Rockefeller, Trilateral Commission and Ford Foundation-linked for many

decades) (only a few years are available):

- ▶ 2004-2005, San Francisco Foundation, from 990 grants list: *"Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies: \$20,000 [and] \$170,000 [and] \$1,000."*
- ▶ 2013-2014, San Francisco Foundation, from 990 grants list: *"Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies: \$30,000."*
- ▶ 2013-2014, MAPS, Audited Financial Statements, p. 12: *"During 2013, MAPS established the Curing PTSD Fund (the Fund), a donor-advised fund managed by The San Francisco Foundation. MAPS is the sole designated beneficiary of the Fund and is able to withdraw from the Fund without any restrictions. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, investments stated at fair value were \$7,150,597 and \$4,381,337, respectively."*
- ▶ April 7, 2016, [MAPS](#) founder Rick Doblin on the Joe Rogan Experience podcast, 59:00, 1:10:00: *"We're just sending MDMA to Rockefeller University where one of the leading scientists in anxiety is gonna start some studies ... trying to look at fear extinction and memory reconsolidation and how MDMA affects that. So we're starting to get [mainstream support]... Dr. Richard Rockefeller ... was opening the doors for us with the National Center for PTSD..."*
- ▶ July 1, 2014, Psychedelic Frontier, 'My Interview with Rick Doblin, Psychedelic Pioneer & Founder of MAPS': *"For 20 years, we have been talking to the Department of Defense and the VA about working with MDMA for healing post-traumatic stress disorder. ... But we would hit these political obstacles and permission would be rejected. We tried this in six or seven VAs around the country, we had all these teams, and it was perpetually frustrating. And then, through Dr. Richard Rockefeller — through his cousin Senator Jay Rockefeller, who's on the Senate Veterans' Affairs committee, we started working from the top down. And tried to say — you guys have a massive problem. Last year was \$5.5 billion in disability payments for 275,000 vets. That's annual, and it goes up and up every year as more vets are diagnosed with PTSD. So we were able to finally persuade the Veterans Administration and the Department of Defense to let MAPS pay for some initial proof-of-concept studies with VA therapists."*
- ▶ December 9, 2013, Dr. Richard Rockefeller during a conversation with Dr. Larry Brilliant at The Commonwealth Club of California radio program: *"When I was 19-years-old I had a girlfriend at Stanford and I came out here and visited. And while we were driving through the leafy streets of Palo Alto in a beat up maroon station wagon, a woman driving a car slipped her clutch, jumped out of a side street and hit our car and spun us around sideways into a tree. And it indented about two feet just behind my*

head. And I was fine after a couple of days, but from then on, right to the present moment, whenever a car seems to be moving too fast coming in from the right side, I tense up. But when a car comes from the left, it has no such effect. It's a very specific effect. That is called Post-Traumatic Stress [PTS]. But it is not Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder [PTSD] which is a far more severe condition. ...

At least 90 percent of Americans experience trauma sufficient to cause PTSD at least once in their lifetime, but as I say, most actually don't develop the syndrome. They restore the memory to the right place in their brains. But about 7 percent of the general population does develop PTSD. That's about 25 million people in this country. It's at a much higher rate among veterans of the recent wars: 30%. ... At this point it is estimated that on average one veteran commits suicide every 90 minutes. ... If you count the entire active duty population plus the veterans, 18 times as many people commit suicide each year as die in combat at this point. ... Just for disability alone, the cost of the Veteran's Administration is a million dollars lifetime cost per veteran that is traumatized. And the disability payments at this point are 5.5 billion dollars per year by the Veteran's Administration, besides the economic cost and the emotional cost. ...

There are [PTSD] therapies out there that achieve [moving traumatic memories out of the amygdala and into other parts of the brain] to a greater and lesser extent. You may have heard some of the names of them: There's Cognitive Processing Therapy, Prolonged Exposure Therapy, EMDR, which is Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing; and there are two anti-depressants - Zoloft and Paxil, that are approved for treating PTSD. Those are the approved theories. In addition to approved therapies, there are ... hypnosis, yoga, meditation, art therapy, music therapy, nature therapy, wilderness therapy, horseback riding therapy and pet therapy. And that's really not all. And people are trying other currently legal drugs, some of them with quite interesting results: Pramis and Propanil, Decylclacerein, Benedryl, insulin and also cannabis for treating PTSD. ...

In the end it doesn't matter whether it's 50 percent or 80 percent [that doesn't get proper PTSD treatment]. What we have is out of, let's say, 25 million traumatized people in the U.S., is a gigantic number of people who are not having their condition treated effectively at all. So, MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for PTSD. Here's what the evidence so far is showing: after a 14-week total course that includes only three 8-hour sessions of MDMA - again, XTC - we're seeing somewhere above an 80 percent remission rate... eight-zero percent. Who are these people? These are FDA-approved trials. Obviously, MDMA/XTC is an illegal drug, but it has

been approved by the FDA and the DEA and other organizations for this therapy. ... Ethically you have to take the people that are not responding to other treatments. So these were people with moderate to severe - and more of them with severe - cases of PTSD. It is chronic. In the first study that was published there was almost a median of 19 years suffering from PTSD. And it is treatment-resistant. Each of them had to have failed at least one drug therapy and at least one psychotherapy and in many cases they had failed more than that. So among that group who have failed therapy and they're severe, we're seeing above an 80 percent success rate.

Is it a lasting effect? It is. There is now a long-term follow-up study that was published just a year ago that shows over a median of 3.5 years follow-up but with as long as 9 years follow-up, almost all the original people, out of 20 people treated, still did not meet criteria for PTSD. We physicians are hesitant to use the word cured, because it has a very specific meaning, but we use the word "durable remission." And in this case very happily so. ... I feel a little bit like an imposter, because with us tonight is Dr. Michael Mithoefer who is the principal investigator on all the early research on this. He could tell you much better than I, but I'm the only one with a microphone taped to my lapel."

- ▶ November 20, 2012, PR Newswire, 'Landmark Study Shows Long-Term Benefits of MDMA-Assisted Psychotherapy for PTSD Sufferers': *"People suffering from chronic, treatment-resistant posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) experienced lasting benefits from MDMA-assisted psychotherapy, according to a new long-term follow-up study published online November 20 in the Journal of Psychopharmacology. This follow-up study extends the outstanding results of the initial study, published in 2010, which found that 83% of those receiving MDMA-assisted psychotherapy no longer qualified for a PTSD diagnosis two months after treatment. The long-term follow-up, conducted an average of 45 months (over 3.5 years) after MDMA-assisted psychotherapy, showed that these remarkable benefits were sustained over time. ... Dr. Michael Mithoefer [is] the study's principal investigator. Subjects included survivors of sexual assault and abuse and a military veteran. None of these subjects had responded adequately to existing psychotherapies and drug treatments for PTSD. Subjects had suffered from PTSD for an average of over 19 years. ... The follow-up study found no evidence of harm associated with the administration of MDMA. Additionally, no subject developed a substance abuse problem with any illicit drug after MDMA-assisted psychotherapy. The research was sponsored by the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS), a non-profit research and educational organization.*

MAPS is currently sponsoring Dr. Mithoefer to study MDMA-assisted psychotherapy in 24 veterans, firefighters, or police officers with chronic, treatment-resistant PTSD."

- ▶ PTSD numbers for different wars (often hard to diagnose, especially in older decades):
  - ▶ Winter 2009, NIH Medline Plus magazine, 'PTSD: A Growing Epidemic': *"The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that PTSD afflicts:*
    - *Almost 31 percent of Vietnam veterans.*
    - *As many as 10 percent of Gulf War (Desert Storm) veterans.*
    - *11 percent of veterans of the war in Afghanistan.*
    - *20 percent of Iraqi war veterans."*
  - ▶ April 3, 2014, Washington Post, 'Why the Iraq War has produced more PTSD than the conflict in Afghanistan': *"Some numbers from the Department of Veterans Affairs estimate that PTSD affects about 11 percent of veterans of the war in Afghanistan, but 20 percent of veterans who served in Iraq. There's little data explaining the differences between the two groups partly because of the difficulty of diagnosing PTSD (and identifying veterans who may not know they suffer from it), as well as the fact that the VA itself often combines veterans of the two conflicts together. Over the length of these two wars, though, service members in Iraq have been exposed to more combat, with the kinds of traumas associated with it. This data comes from an early study contrasting soldiers' experiences in the two wars in 2003..."*
  - ▶ [historyofptsd.wordpress.com/world-war-ii/](http://historyofptsd.wordpress.com/world-war-ii/) (accessed: January 2, 2016): *"Medical personnel [during World War II] were puzzled that although over one million soldiers were screened out for psychological reasons, there continued to be staggering numbers of psychiatric casualties in war. In fact, even soldiers who had fought bravely on previous tours were being affected (Scott, 1990). Overall, 25% of casualties were caused by war trauma, and this rate was even higher– 50%– for soldiers engaged in long, intense fighting (PBS, 2003). In fact, so many soldiers were affected that psychiatrists were confronted with the reality that psychological weakness had little to do with subsequent distress in combat. Thus, terminology changed from "combat neurosis" to "combat exhaustion," or "battle fatigue" (Bentley, 2005). ... References: Bentley, S. (2005). Short history of PTSD. ... PBS (2003). The perilous fight: America's WWII in color. ... Scott, W. J. (1990). PTSD in DSM-III..."*
- ▶ June 14, 2014, Maps.org comment, 'Dr. Richard Rockefeller Dies in Small-Plane Crash': *"On Friday, June 13, prominent*

*MAPS supporter Dr. Richard Rockefeller died when the plane he was piloting crashed in Westchester County, NY. He was 65. "Richard's political wisdom and generosity in making personal connections have helped us eliminate barriers to research that we had been unable to overcome for over 20 years," reflected MAPS Founder Rick Doblin. "Now everything is different because of Richard.""*

- ▶ June 14, 2014, New York Times, 'Dr. Richard Rockefeller Killed in New York Plane Crash in Small-Plane Crash': *"Dr. Richard Rockefeller, son of the billionaire and prominent philanthropist David Rockefeller, was killed Friday morning when the small plane he was piloting crashed shortly after takeoff, according to a spokesman for the family. Dr. Rockefeller, 65, was the only person on board the plane, which the authorities identified as a Piper Meridian single-engine turboprop. The cause of the crash was not immediately clear. Dr. Rockefeller took off from Westchester County Airport at 8:08 a.m., departing from Runway 16 into dense fog and steady rain. Less than 10 minutes later, the Federal Aviation Administration notified airport officials that it could not reach the pilot. At 8:23 a.m., the local police reported that the plane had crashed less than a mile from the airport, near Cottage Avenue in the town of Harrison. It smashed through several trees and narrowly missed an occupied house before hitting the ground and breaking into pieces, the authorities said. Dr. Rockefeller was flying home after visiting his father, David, at the family's estate in Pocantico Hills, a hamlet in the town of Mount Pleasant. Mr. Rockefeller's 99th birthday was Thursday. David Rockefeller is the oldest living member of the family whose name adorns countless university buildings, hospital wings, libraries and museums across the country. He is a grandson of John D. Rockefeller, an accounting clerk who invested \$4,000 into an oil refinery business and went on to lead the Standard Oil Company. He became one of the richest and most famous men in the world. Fraser P. Seitel, the family spokesman, said Dr. Rockefeller was an experienced pilot and had flown in and out of the Westchester airport many times. Officials from the Federal Aviation Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board were sent to investigate the crash. "The family is in shock," Mr. Seitel said. "This is a terrible tragedy. Richard was a wonderful and cherished son, brother, husband, father and grandfather." Dr. Rockefeller was a family physician in Falmouth, Me., who earlier practiced and taught medicine in Portland, Me. He was married with two children and two stepchildren. He was chairman of the United States Advisory Board of Doctors Without Borders from 1989 until 2010, and served on the board of Rockefeller University until 2006. Doctors Without Borders issued a statement on his death. Dr. Deane Marchbein, president of the*



*United States division of Doctors Without Borders, said the group was "devastated." "Richard gave so much of his life to support Doctors Without Borders," Dr. Marchbein said in the statement. "He made so many vital contributions that have helped Doctors Without Borders provide independent medical humanitarian assistance to millions of patients in over 70 countries." In recent years, Dr. Rockefeller was working to help establish better treatment for those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, Mr. Seitel said. He was also a past president of the Rockefeller Family Fund."*

- ▶ 2014, MAPS annual financial report, pp. 4, 6: *"Total contributed revenue was just over \$4 million in Fiscal Year 2014. The majority (93%) came from roughly 40 individuals and family foundations. Of the total, \$1.9 million was an unexpected bequest from Tim Butcher's estate, and \$1 million was a five-year pledge from Dr. Richard Rockefeller. In addition to these large gifts, MAPS saw increases in both revenue and the number of donors at all giving levels; the number of donors giving \$1,000 or more grew 21%; the renewal rate increased to 64%; and the number of donors grew 30% to 1,574. ... MAPS FY 2013–2014 DONORS: \$50,000 & ABOVE: Tim Butcher \$1,900,000. Richard and Nancy Rockefeller \$1,000,000. David Bronner \$154,500. Anton Bilton \$105,000. The Libra Foundation \$90,000. Riverstyx Foundation \$86,000. Adam Wiggins \$60,000. Philip Payson \$53,899. Mental Insight Foundation \$50,000. Michael Moran \$50,000. \$10,000–\$49,999: .... Threshold Foundation \$22,725. ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund \$10,000 ... \$1,000–\$9,999: ... Aubrey Marcus \$5,000."*
- ▶ March 23, 2014, San Francisco, 'Pot to be tested as remedy for post-traumatic stress disorder': *"After three years, a small Santa Cruz nonprofit has won a battle with the federal government to test marijuana on veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder, but the organization's founder says his work is far from done. Rick Doblin's ultimate goal is for his Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies to become a nonprofit pharmaceutical company, selling marijuana and other currently illegal substances such as MDMA - also known as ecstasy - to pharmacies across the nation. The Food and Drug Administration has already approved two MDMA studies funded by the organization. And last week the Department of Health and Human Services cleared the way for the University of Arizona to conduct the pot study... So far, the checks have been rolling in. And it's anything but stoners and hippies writing them. The organization counts as donors a Rockefeller; members of the Pritzker family, one of the wealthiest in America; and John Gilmore, the fifth employee of Sun Microsystems and co-founder of the Electronic Frontier Foundation. The late*

Ashawna Hailey, a Silicon Valley pioneer, bequeathed the organization \$5.5 million. Some have even served on the organization's board. "There's a lot of psychedelic use in the tech world," Doblin said, adding that the association's benefactors are not only interested in helping humanity, especially veterans, but also on the cutting edge of innovation. "These are people who see the future. There are definitely those who think there is a stigma to some of these drugs. But it's shifting from a stigma to something they can be proud of." MDMA - listed by the federal government as a schedule 1 substance, meaning it's considered high-risk for abuse and has no accepted medical applications - is Doblin's top priority. He is among many doctors and scientists who believe that the synthetic drug could be the best tool to curing post-traumatic stress disorder. MDMA, also known on the street as Molly, is an amphetamine widely known as the illicit drug of choice by the rave community. ... "We have a waiting list of 500 people for eight remaining slots," said Virginia Wright, MAPS' director of development. In addition, the organization has funded two other studies, in Israel and Canada. Dr. Richard Rockefeller, a donor who chaired the U.S. Advisory Board of Doctors Without Borders until 2010, has been vocal about using MDMA-assisted psychotherapy to help people suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder. Rockefeller, who has seen firsthand the emotional scars war and atrocity can leave on people, told the San Francisco Commonwealth Club in 2013 that he believes the drug can have dramatic benefits. "If you can achieve a detailed recall of the trauma in a setting of extreme safety, you can move the traumatic memory out of the amygdala and into the parts of the brain where it should be," he told the audience. "This process is called reconsolidation. In MDMA-assisted psychotherapy, the patient is safe enough to bring up trauma and do the work." To Doblin, the idea that therapists could use the drug to end post-traumatic stress disorder in chronic sufferers is huge - better even than marijuana."

- June 18, 2015, HeadCount.org, 'Fare Thee Well Interview Series: Rick Doblin': "I've been interested in the Grateful Dead since around 1970. [When I was younger] I wasn't that much into music, but I got very interested in psychedelics, which led me to be very interested in the Grateful Dead. Actually, when I first started MAPS, it was a Florida nonprofit and you had to have three members on your board of directors and one of them was a friend of mine who we used to go to Dead shows together. I'm very interested in the Dead and psychedelics and creativity and also the role of psychedelics in communal spiritual experiences. The whole Dead community was very influential to me. ... The Grateful Dead were known for the Acid Tests. The more I started looking into Ken Kesey and the

*more I started learning about the Acid Tests and the Grateful Dead's role in that, that's what really cemented my [interest]. I grew up both very interested in the spiritual/therapeutic use of psychedelics but also in the celebratory. So that's why MAPS has projects both in the scientific research and also in harm reduction at festivals."*

- ▶ June 18, 1995, Orlando Sentinel, 'Drugs: Facing Agony Of Ecstasy': *"MDMA was synthesized in Germany in 1912 and patented in 1914. Drug makers and doctors once considered marketing MDMA as an appetite suppressant or psychiatric drug. Some psychotherapists tried using MDMA to break down their patients' emotional barriers, providing a shortcut to mental health. The federal government rejected the therapeutic use of MDMA as too risky. The drug was outlawed in 1985. MDMA has been described as LSD without hallucinations. Related to amphetamines, it makes users feel energetic and sociable - or agitated and confused. ... In the late 1980s, MDMA became popular at "raves," all-night parties featuring repetitive dance music and psychedelic lights. Several Orlando clubs have rave-like parties. It was at such a party that Sandra Montessi collapsed last July, her heart beating out of control, her body temperature soaring to 107 degrees. Montessi, an 18-year-old Valencia Community College student, died five hours later at Orlando Regional Medical Center. The coroner concluded she died of "cardiac dysrhythmia due to MDMA intoxication."*
- ▶ April 26, 2013, [AlterNet](#) (Soros-financed), 'The Enormous Promise of Psychedelics for Sustaining Health, Happiness and Sanity Inside this year's conference for the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies': *"While Doblin was intent on MAPS as a long-term means of fighting for psychedelic drug research, he says he never anticipated that it would grow the way it has. ... MAPS met at the Pentagon with the assistant secretary of the Navy and the Navy surgeon general to discuss their proposal to work with active duty soldiers in the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). "To my utter surprise the assistant secretary of the Navy was a classmate of mine at the Kennedy School [when I was] getting my [masters' degree]," says Doblin. "We hadn't seen or talked to each other in 22 years but we were friends at school, and he remembered I had talked about MDMA therapy back then. So, when it came around he thought I was a trustworthy, friendly person, he saw that this was a long-term mission, and he saw it as legitimate and genuine. Those things start to happen."*
- ▶ [maps.org/about/board](#) (accessed: February 18, 2016): *"Board of Directors: RICK DOBLIN, PH.D., is the founder and executive director of the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS). He received his doctorate in Public Policy from Harvard's Kennedy School of Government,*

where he wrote his dissertation on the regulation of the medical uses of psychedelics and marijuana and his Master's thesis on a survey of oncologists about smoked marijuana vs. the oral THC pill in nausea control for cancer patients. His undergraduate thesis at New College of Florida was a 25-year follow-up to the classic Good Friday Experiment, which evaluated the potential of psychedelic drugs to catalyze religious experiences. He also conducted a thirty-four year follow-up study to Timothy Leary's Concord Prison Experiment. Rick studied with Dr. Stanislav Grof and was among the first to be certified as a Holotropic Breathwork practitioner. His professional goal is to help develop legal contexts for the beneficial uses of psychedelics and marijuana, primarily as prescription medicines but also for personal growth for otherwise healthy people, and eventually to become a legally licensed psychedelic therapist. He founded MAPS in 1986, and currently resides in Boston with his wife and three children. ... ROBERT BARNHART ... DAVID BRONNER is President of Dr. Bronner's Magic Soaps. He is a grandson of company founder, Emanuel Bronner, and a fifth-generation soapmaker. ... JOHN GILMORE is an entrepreneur and civil libertarian. He was an early employee of Sun Microsystems, early free software and open source author, and co-created Cygnus Solutions, the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#), the Cypherpunks, the DES Cracker, and the Usenet's "alt" newsgroups. ... Along with being a board member of MAPS, he is also on the boards of the Electronic Frontier Foundation and the Marijuana Policy Project. ... JOBY PRITZKER is Manager of Direct Investments at his family office Tao Capital Partners. Tao has made investments in innovative healthcare, sustainable food and agriculture, electric transportation, and other companies that seek to have a positive impact on the world. He has also made investments in the legal cannabis industry, such as MJ Freeway and Pax Labs. He is on the Board of the [Libra Foundation](#), a family foundation with an emphasis on human rights. In addition to serving on the Board of MAPS, he is also the Chairman of the Board of the [Marijuana Policy Project](#). ... "

### **Marijuana lobby: NORML**

- NORML was founded in 1970 by Keith Stroup, a young lawyer and associate of future Green Party candidate [Ralph Nader](#). Both Nader and Stroup received major backing from the liberal establishment. In case of Stroup, seed money for NORML was provided by the Playboy Foundation. Throughout the 1970s the Playboy continued to be the key financier of NORML. The son of [Pilgrims Society](#) member and CIA asset

William Paley was another very important friend and financial backer. Directors of NORML included Harvard professors, senators and an attorney general. Stroup also became friends with the son of president Jimmy Carter and maintained close relations with Carter's drug czar Dr. Peter Bourne. In later years Rick Doblin of the [Rockefeller](#) and [Pritzker](#)-backed [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#) has been a long-time director.

- ▶ September 28, 2017, Keith Stroup on [blog.norml.org](#), 'On The Passing of Hugh Hefner': *"Hef, through the Playboy Foundation, provided NORML with our initial funding in early 1971, and became our primary funder all during the 1970s. And by focusing attention in Playboy magazine on some of the most egregious victims of the war against marijuana smokers, he helped us convince millions of Americans that marijuana prohibition was a misguided and destructive public policy."*
- ▶ January 4, 2005, Washington Post, 'Exhale, Stage Left': *"Wearing a bright white shirt and dark blue suit, [Keith] Stroup is sitting at his impeccably neat desk in the tidy K Street offices of NORML, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. He founded NORML back in 1970 and now, 34 years later, he's retiring at 61 as the pot lobby's executive director. ... He finished law school in 1968, got married and took a job on the newly formed federal Commission on Product Safety. That job put Stroup in contact with [Ralph Nader](#), then a hot young consumer advocate. Inspired by Nader's work, Stroup got an idea: He'd create a consumer group for pot smokers, an organization to lobby for legalization. It was the kind of pipe dream that floated through the heads of countless pot smokers during long nights of deep inhaling, but Stroup actually did it -- hustling \$5,000 in seed money from the Playboy Foundation and opening an office in his basement near Dupont Circle. ... Back in the '70s, though, it seemed perfectly normal for NORML to call a dope smuggler when it ran short of cash. One day, Stroup recalls, he called Forcade for a donation and the smuggler told him to come to an address on New York's Lower East Side. ... There was a time, back in the '70s, when Keith Stroup was about as close to a rock star as Washington lobbyists ever get. He hung out with the Allman Brothers and Jimmy Buffett. He partied with Willie Nelson and presidential son Chip Carter. He had sex in the fabled grotto at the Playboy mansion, where Hugh Hefner hosted a NORML fundraiser. ... Courting respectability, Stroup assembled a board of directors that included Harvard professors, former attorney general Ramsey Clark and, later, Sens. Phil Hart and Jacob Javits. Pumped with zeal, Stroup went anywhere to make his pitch, appearing on TV, lecturing at colleges, testifying before Congress and state legislatures. ... In 1977, Stroup visited the White House to meet with Carter's*

drug policy adviser, Peter Bourne. Soon NORML would be playing the White House in softball. ... Back in Washington, he was lobbying for a bill to ban federal funding of a controversial program that sprayed Mexican marijuana fields with the herbicide paraquat, shown to cause lung damage in people who smoked the tainted weed. Stroup asked Bourne, Carter's drug adviser, to support the bill. Bourne refused. Stroup was outraged. To him, it was a moral issue: The feds were deliberately poisoning pot smokers! Seeking revenge, Stroup leaked a secret to newspaper columnist Jack Anderson in July 1978: Bourne had snorted cocaine at NORML's 1977 Christmas party. And Stroup revealed the names of a couple of witnesses. When Anderson broke the story, Bourne told reporters he'd only handled cocaine at the NORML party, he hadn't actually snorted any. It didn't matter. Bourne lost his job. A few months later, so did Stroup. The folks at NORML didn't like snitches and eased him out the door. "When I look back on it," Stroup says now, "it was probably the stupidest thing I ever did." Nobody "in their rational mind," he adds, would jeopardize a relationship with a high White House official over a minor policy dispute. Is it possible that he wasn't in his "rational mind" because he was too stoned too often? "Yes," he says. "I think it is possible that my own personal use of cocaine played into that." In those days he, like many people, thought coke was harmless. Now he knows better. "Cocaine is deadly," he says. "There are probably people who can use cocaine moderately. But I gotta tell you: Based on me and my friends, I didn't see very many of them." ... Then in 1995, NORML -- split by infighting -- asked Stroup to come back and run the place. He returned to find that everything had changed. The movement to legalize marijuana had run aground. In the 1970s, 11 states had decriminalized pot; in the '80s, none did. Nancy Reagan's "Just say no" crusade and the deadly spread of crack cocaine had led to a backlash against drugs. And NORML was nearly broke, politically impotent and beset by feuding factions. Stroup saved NORML from self-destruction, St. Pierre says, but he failed to bring back the glory days: "Keith could not replicate what he did in the '70s." Part of Stroup's problem was competition."

- ▶ PBS, undated interview with Dr. Peter Bourne, Jimmy Carter's drug czar: "There was another annual [NORML] meeting which may be the one you're referring to, which I either couldn't go to or didn't want to go to because of the previous event. And he said, 'I understand that, but tonight we're having a party at the home of William Paley,' who was the son of the owner of CBS television [and a CIA Mockingbird asset and a [Pilgrims Society](#) member]. And [NORML founder Keith Stroup] said, 'Please come by, because people are very upset

*that you didn't come and speak at our former sessions, and it would be nice if you came to my party." So I went to that party, where again, people were using drugs. And I didn't stay there terribly long and I left. That was the last I heard of that party until many months later"*

- ▶ February 13, 2013, The Washingtonian, 'His Father's Son':  
*"Babe Paley's son not only had a piece of the action; he was at the center of it. "Bill always had a lot of attractive women around him in the place, and he was a real gladhander," recalls Keith Stroup, legal counsel and founder of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, who was a friend of Paley's in the mid-1970s and a regular at the bar. "If you were in Washington and politically active in the '70s, the Gandy Dancer was the place to be." The book High in America, which chronicles NORML's early years, says plenty of influence-peddling went on in the bar. "The Gandy Dancer was the in spot for Washington's younger political crowd, much as Duke Ziebert's restaurant had been for the older political generation," wrote author Patrick Anderson. Duke's was in business 44 years; the Gandy Dancer didn't make it to four. Paley and partners kept a tab open for NORML, which Stroup says often went unpaid, and artists were given food and drinks in exchange for art at the Biltmore Ballroom."*
- ▶ Grants list Tides Foundation:
  - ▶ 2006: *"NORML Foundation: \$24,000.00..."*
  - ▶ 2014: *"NORML Foundation: \$4,000.00..."*
- ▶ Officers:
  - ▶ [norml.org/index.cfm?Group\\_ID=5471](http://norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=5471) (December 3, 2004): "
    - Willie Nelson, Co-Chair. Singer and songwriter.
    - Nadine Strossen, Esq., Co-Chair. President, American Civil Liberties Union ...
    - David Boaz, Executive Vice-President, Cato Institute.
    - Mitch Earleywine, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Psychology.
    - Lester Grinspoon, M.D. Harvard Medical School (emeritus).
    - Terence Hallinan, Esq. San Francisco District Attorney.
    - Woody Harrelson, Actor.
    - Bill Maher, comedian and social satirist.
    - Ron Mann, documentary filmmaker.
    - Sheriff Bill Masters, Telluride, CO.
    - John P. Morgan, M.D. Physician and Professor of Pharmacology.
    - Kary Mullis, Ph.D. 1993 Nobel Laureate (Chemistry).
    - Bill Regardie, publisher.
    - Mark Stepnoski, former NFL star.
    - Dan Stern, actor, writer and director.
    - Rick Steves travel writer, television host.

- Hunter S. Thompson, author and journalist."

- ▶ [norml.org/index.cfm?Group\\_ID=3416](http://norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=3416) (July 3, 2010):  
*"Currently the board includes prominent scientists, researchers, businessmen and women, writers, attorneys and producers, including [Multidisciplinary Association of Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#) founder and president Rick Doblin, Ph.D.; television and movie producer Ann Druyan; author and commentator [Barbara Ehrenreich](#), and NORML founder, public-interest attorney Keith Stroup. Stephen W. Dillon, Esq., a prominent criminal defense attorney from Indianapolis, IN, serves as chair of the Board, and Dale Gieringer, Ph.D., the head of California NORML, serves as vice-chair."*

### **Marijuana lobby: Marijuana Policy Project**

- ▶ Founded in 1995 as an off-shoot of [NORML](#). Backed by billionaires as Peter Lewis, a close friend of George Soros, and Joby Pritzker of the [Libra Foundation](#) and the [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#).
- ▶ January 4, 2005, Washington Post, 'Exhale, Stage Left': *"In the '90s, two new groups [besides [NORML](#)] arose to advocate drug-law reform, each bankrolled by an eccentric billionaire. The [Drug Policy Alliance](#) is funded by financier George Soros. The Marijuana Policy Project, founded by former NORML staffer Rob Kampia, is funded by insurance mogul [and close Soros friend] Peter Lewis [and now the Pritzker family and John Gilmore]. Both groups have spent millions on state referendums to legalize medical marijuana -- many successful, some not. But [Keith] Stroup has failed to find an eccentric billionaire sugar daddy for NORML."*
- ▶ [maps.org/about/board](http://maps.org/about/board) (accessed: February 18, 2016): *"Board of Directors: RICK DOBLIN, PH.D., is the founder and executive director of the [Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies \(MAPS\)](#). ... JOHN GILMORE is an entrepreneur and civil libertarian. He was an early employee of Sun Microsystems, early free software and open source author, and co-created Cygnus Solutions, the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#), the Cypherpunks, the DES Cracker, and the Usenet's "alt" newsgroups. ... Along with being a board member of MAPS, he is also on the boards of the [Electronic Frontier Foundation](#) and the [Marijuana Policy Project](#). ... JOBY PRITZKER is Manager of Direct Investments at his family office Tao Capital Partners. Tao has made investments in innovative healthcare, sustainable food and agriculture, electric transportation, and other companies that seek to have a positive impact on the world. He has also made investments*



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- ▶ April 2, 2014, Washington Times, 'George Soros' real crusade: Legalizing marijuana in the U.S.': *"[Soros'] spending has been supplemented by Peter B. Lewis, the late chairman of Progressive Insurance Co. and an unabashed pot smoker who channeled more than \$40 million to influence local debates, according to the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. ... Soros ... has given periodically to the Marijuana Policy Project, which funds state ballot measures."*

### **Marijuana lobby: other**

- ▶ April 20, 2010, ABC News, 'The Marijuana Lobby: All Grown Up': *"In 1995-1996, global financier and philanthropist George Soros gave \$1 million—more than anyone had committed to marijuana reform—to get medical marijuana on the California ballot. It was the first major change since decriminalization in the 1970s. As St. Pierre remembers it, "The experts agreed that \$5-6 million was needed for the effort to be successful. Soros called Peter Lewis, and they got John Sperling, founder of the University of Phoenix. If those three billionaires hadn't plunked down the money, we wouldn't be talking about this right now." Their efforts were successful, and in 1996, California became the first of 14 states to make it legal to sell marijuana to people with doctors' prescriptions."*
- ▶ October 27, 2010, The Telegraph, 'George Soros donates \$1 million to campaign to legalise cannabis': *"Billionaire George Soros donated \$1 million (£630,000) on Tuesday to a campaign to legalise marijuana in California through an initiative placed on ballots in the November 2 election. The Drug Policy Alliance, which aims to decriminalise drug use in the United States, confirmed that the Hungarian-born American philanthropist donated the money to its "Proposition 19" campaign. ... Proposition 19, or the "Regulate, Control and Tax Cannabis Act of 2010" would allow people over the age of 21 to possess, cultivate, or transport marijuana for "personal use." It would also permit local governments to regulate and tax commercial production and sales. Federal law enforcement agencies have vowed to aggressively go after marijuana possession and cultivation even if the proposition passes."*
- ▶ October 1, 2012, Seattle PI, 'A \$4 million marijuana campaign war chest': *"The campaign war chest for Initiative 502, which would legalize marijuana, swelled by more than \$1 million on*

Monday with new donations from an Ohio insurance magnate and two executives of the Kirkland-based [Riverstyx Foundation](#). Peter Lewis, chairman of Progressive Insurance, donated \$670,000 and \$32,000 — bringing his total donations to \$1.555 million. The 78-year-old Lewis is a longtime booster of legalization, hitherto best known as a financial angel of the Marijuana Policy Project and the American Civil Liberties Union. Donations of \$200,000 and \$100,000, respectively, came from James L. Swift and Thomas Cody Swift. Riverstyx is a family-underwritten foundation which, in its own words, supports "attempts to lessen human suffering caused by fear and misguided social policy."

- February 19, 2014, Fox 35 (KCBA.com), 'Soros Foundation will give \$500,000 for studies of marijuana in Uruguay': *"The foundations for an open society will contribute \$500,000 this year to non-governmental groups and universities of Uruguay that studying the impact of legalization of marijuana use in that country, a spokesman said today. ... "Finally, we have given an initial support to ICEERS for the preparation of a clinical trial, currently in design phase, to evaluate the use of marijuana to relieve symptoms of the withdrawal of the use of Paco/base paste", the spokesperson said. ICEERS stands, in English, of the International Center for Education, Research, and the Ethnobotanical Service, a nonprofit group that reports on the therapeutic qualities of traditional herbs."*
- April 2, 2014, Washington Times, 'George Soros' real crusade: Legalizing marijuana in the U.S.': *"With a cadre of like-minded, wealthy donors, Mr. Soros is dominating the pro-legalization side of the marijuana debate by funding grass-roots initiatives that begin in New York City and end up affecting local politics elsewhere. Through a network of nonprofit groups, Mr. Soros has spent at least \$80 million on the legalization effort since 1994, when he diverted a portion of his foundation's funds to organizations exploring alternative drug policies, according to tax filings. His spending has been supplemented by Peter B. Lewis, the late chairman of Progressive Insurance Co. and an unabashed pot smoker who channeled more than \$40 million to influence local debates, according to the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. The two billionaires' funding has been unmatched by anyone on the other side of the debate. Mr. Soros makes his donations through the Drug Policy Alliance, a nonprofit he funds with roughly \$4 million in annual contributions from his Foundation to Promote an Open Society. Mr. Soros also donates annually to the American Civil Liberties Union, which in turn funds marijuana legalization efforts, and he has given periodically to the Marijuana Policy Project, which funds state ballot measures. Lewis, who died in November, donated to legalization efforts in his name and through the ACLU and the*

*Marijuana Policy Project, on which he served as the chairman of the board. Lewis' estate declined to comment for this article.*

*"The pro-legalization movement hasn't come from a groundswell of the people. A great deal of its funding and fraud has been perpetrated by George Soros and then promoted by celebrities," said John Walters, director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy under George W. Bush. .. Mr. Soros did not respond to a request to be interviewed."*

- ▶ November 2, 2016, Los Angeles Times, 'Billionaire activists like Sean Parker and George Soros are fueling the campaign to legalize pot': *"Activist billionaires Sean Parker and George Soros and companies hoping to profit from legalizing marijuana in California have helped this year's campaign for Proposition 64 raise close to \$16 million, about four times the amount spent on a failed effort in 2010. ...*

*Proposition 64 would allow Californians who are 21 and older to possess, transport and use up to an ounce of cannabis for recreational purposes and allow individuals to grow as many as six plants. ...*

*Another \$4 million has been contributed by a nonprofit called the Fund for Policy Reform to a group called Drug Policy Action in support of Proposition 64.*

*When asked where the money originated, Drug Policy Action confirmed that it came from Soros, the New York hedge fund billionaire. Representatives declined a request for comment from Soros."*

## **Reality Sandwich magazine and Evolver community**

- ▶ RealityMagazine.com, an online magazine, and the related Evolver.net (parent company of Reality Sandwich) community surrounding the magazine were founded in 2007, primarily by Coast to Coast AM veteran Daniel Pinchbeck and his old friend since the 1990s, Ken Jordan. Anti-Bush activist Jonathan Phillips was recruited by these two to help set things up. Pinchbeck came to serve as editorial director and Jordan as publisher. Graham became editor-at-large for Reality Sandwich magazine by mid 2011.

- ▶ 2008, Daniel Pinchbeck and Ken Jordan, 'Toward 2012: Perspectives on the Next Age' (published by Penguin): *"I joined forces with Ken Jordan, a digital media expert and old friend of mine from New York, to launch Reality Sandwich.... We found a magnificent designer, Michael Robinson, to be our creative designer, and chose Jonathan Phillips, a radical activist turned Gnostic visionary, as our community director. Our team has*

*followed up Reality Sandwich with the release of Evolver.net....*

*Ken and I chose the name "Reality Sandwich" from an Allen Ginsberg poem... Ken's Father, Fred Jordan, was editor in chief of avant-garde publisher Grove Press and edited its magazine Evergreen Review, a major force in the counter-culture of the fifties and sixties [that published William Burroughs, Allen Ginsberg and Jack Kerouac and involved very provocative subjects, including anti-Vietnam War protests and erotica; reportedly the CIA tried to undermine the magazine]. My mother, Joyce Johnson, [has been] writing about her relationship with Jack Kerouac in her memoir, Minor Characters. My mother was also a book editor in the 1960s, publishing [Allen Ginsberg-allied activist] Abbie Hoffman, Kerouac, and others."*

- ▶ September 2, 2010, Daniel Pinchbeck for Reality Sandwich, 'My Personal Journey into the Evolver Social Movement': *"Toward the end of that first effort, I brought Ken Jordan on board. Ken was one of my closest friends. He worked in publishing ... [Way back in 1994-1995 I] introduced him to friends of mine launching SonicNet... [In the early 2000s] Ken joined up with PlaNetwork, a non-profit think tank [into sustainable development], started by West Coast visionaries Jim Fournier [director Buckminster Fuller Institute; carbon and biomass work overlaps with the major foundations] and Elizabeth Thompson...*

*Ken was able to get **CivicActions** to build the platform for Reality Sandwich in exchange for some equity in our company. ...*

*[Way back in 1991] Thomas Beller [and I] launched the literary magazine Open City, eventually finding a publisher in **Rob Bingham**, a short story writer and heir to a Southern newspaper fortune. Through Open City, we made a decadent, somewhat glamorous, scene, throwing parties in nightclubs and art galleries and at Rob's huge loft in Tribeca [in lower Manhattan]. ... I spent altogether too much time at Rob's loft playing pool and lounging about. ... Eventually I plunged into a massive spiritual crisis and existential emergency...*

*These [shamanic psychedelic] substances were scorned by my peers, but I became fascinated by them again. I went to Gabon for a ritual using iboga, becoming a Bwiti, an initiate. I wrote about ayahuasca and LSD psychoanalyst Stanislav Grof for The Village Voice. As I was exploring this area, Rob, our publisher, was found dead of a heroin overdose in his loft, with the page proofs of his first novel spread across the desk in his extraordinarily chaotic office. I had already begun to distance myself from the literary culture of my peers, but*

*Rob's death pushed me further away."*

- ▶ November 5, 2013, Huffington Post, 'Ken Jordan on Reality Sandwich 2.0 and Conscious Community': *"In 2007 [Ken Jordan] cofounded Evolver.net and Reality Sandwich with Daniel Pinchbeck... Reality Sandwich covers the emerging transformational culture [involving] psychedelics, the empirical validation of psi phenomena, the shamanic revival and indigenous spiritual practices, entheogens, transformational festivals inspired by Burning Man, kundalini energy and experiments in sacred economics that encourage community engagement and group collaboration."*
- ▶ [realitysandwich.com/about](http://realitysandwich.com/about) (accessed: July 9, 2011): *"Editors: Daniel Pinchbeck, Editorial Director. Ken Jordan, Publisher and Executive Producer. Jonathan Talat Phillips, Community Director. Jennifer Palmer, News Editor. Steven Taylor, Senior Editor. Graham Hancock, Editor-at-Large."*
- ▶ By December 2014, Reality Sandwich had published over 230,000 articles. Contributors include or have included:
  - ▶ Daniel Pinchbeck: 2012 end-of-the-world, alien abduction and crop circle pusher.
  - ▶ Joanna Harcourt-Smith: fourth wife of the late psychedelics guru Timothy Leary with deep liberal elite ties, including to Bilderberg member, [1001 Club](#) member and close Henry Kissinger friend Gianni Agnelli.
  - ▶ Graham Hancock: [ancient civilizations](#) [con](#) [artist](#) and psychedelics author.
  - ▶ [Dennis McKenna](#): psychedelics guru and researcher, alongside his late brother, Terence McKenna.
  - ▶ Stanislav Grof: MDMA research pioneer and mentor to [MAPS](#) founder Rick Doblin.
  - ▶ John Perkins: elite-funded shaman, "economic hitman" author, and [9/11 no-planer](#).
  - ▶ Douglas Rushkoff: research fellow at the Ford Foundation-financed Institute for the Future. Leading intellectual, writer and documentary maker.
- ▶ Reality Sandwich has regularly been linking to the Joe Rogan Experience since the April 2, 2013 podcast with their contributor Douglas Rushkoff. Graham Hancock has been among these links.
- ▶ Liberal elite ties:
- ▶ Daniel Pinchbeck has long been familiar. He is a [Coast to Coast AM](#) and Joe Rogan Experience podcast veteran who has been pushing bogus 2012 apocalypse, [alien abduction](#) and [crop circle theories](#) in order to make "media critics" warn people of the somewhat more legitimate global warming "apocalypse". He is also deeply involved in the psychedelics community. Considering all these operations, agendas and

societies have "Rockefeller" written over them, I began to search for Rockefeller or, post-2004, Soros ties to Daniel Pinchback or his Reality Sandwich magazine, which he founded with Ken Jordan and Jonathan Phillips. Slowly but surely Rockefeller and other elite ties began popping up.

- ▶ The deep and long-standing tie of Pinchbeck to Robert Bingham IV is already mentioned at the top. Pinchbeck was Bingham's employee/partner in Open Society Magazine and his New York party boy throughout the 1990s. The thing is, Robert Bingham's grandfather, Barry Bingham, Sr., was a member of the [Pilgrims Society](#), along with the Rockefellers, Mellons and other elite families. Barry played a larger-than-usual role in his grandson's upbringing, because Robert's father died three months after his birth. The Bingham family built its fortune on the newspaper business. Ut also dabbled in politics. Barry was a CFR member while Robert great-grandfather, who carried the same name, was FDR's ambassador to Great Britain in the years before World War II, making him a honorary [Pilgrims Society](#) member.
- ▶ Reality Sandwich publisher Ken Jordan turns out to be a veteran in creating Rockefeller-Soros-Ford-Omidyar-funded media platforms for "media critics" and the like:
  - ▶ [planetnetwork.net/2003conf/textpages/presenters/KenJordan.html](http://planetnetwork.net/2003conf/textpages/presenters/KenJordan.html) (accessed: July 8, 2017) and also at [kenjordan.tv](http://kenjordan.tv) (accessed: January 2, 2006): *"Ken Jordan is one of the pioneers of Web-based multimedia. In 1995 he led the development and served as founding editorial director of SonicNet.com [VH1], the first multimedia music zine. .... In 1999, he co-founded the public interest portal **MediaChannel.org**, in partnership with Globalvision and the international civil society network **OneWorld.net**; it was OneWorld's first U.S. based project."* PlanetWorks is focused on countering global warming. Mitch Kapor was another presenter at this 2003 conference.
  - ▶ January 31, 2000, PR Newswire, 'Globalvision New Media Announces Launch of MediaChannel.org; First Web Site Dedicated to Global Media Issues': *"The [Rockefeller Foundation](#), [Open Society Institute](#), [Arca Foundation](#), [Reebok Human Rights Foundation](#) and the [Puffin Foundation](#) are among those who have provided funding for **MediaChannel**. "Discussion, debate and discourse are our hallmarks," said Ken Jordan, MediaChannel's Site Director. "We don't just gripe about what's wrong with the media -- we also explore ways to make it right. We are creating an on-line action center for media critics, analysts, educators and journalists world wide." ... A joint project of two leading not-for-profit groups, Britain's OneWorld Online (<http://www.oneworld.org>)*

and The Global Center in New York, [MediaChannel.org](http://MediaChannel.org) was designed and produced by Globalvision New Media."

- ▶ [oneworld.org/owbt/](http://oneworld.org/owbt/) (accessed: August 17, 2000): "PATRONS: HRH Prince El-Hassan of Jordan. ... Jon Snow. ... Sir Crispin Tickell... One World Online has now become One World International, and no longer officially forms part of OWBT [at oneworld.org]. Check out their award-winning website at: <http://www.oneworld.net>"
- ▶ [american.edu/soc/faculty/larry.cfm](http://american.edu/soc/faculty/larry.cfm) (accessed: July 8, 2017): "Larry Kirkman ... was chair of the One World International Foundation, the governing body for oneworld.net. ... He created the U.S. Center for **oneworld.net** in 2000 with start-up support from The Rockefeller Foundation and [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#). With on-going core support from The [Ford Foundation](#), and project support from The [MacArthur Foundation](#), [Omidyar Foundation](#) and Open Society Institute, OneWorld U.S. has produced a daily news service on Yahoo World News since 2001..."
- ▶ CivicActions, which on the request of Ken Jordan, built the Evolver and Reality Sandwich platform, is linked to George Soros and the Democrat Party as well, including Dennis Kucinich, the chemtrail-pushing congressman known for supporting [Alex Jones](#) and the equally scammy [Disclosure Project](#):
  - ▶ [civicaactions.com](http://civicaactions.com) (accessed: Feb. 7, 2005): "[1 of 4 CivicAccess team members, listed at the top] Henri Poole [was Dennis] Kucinich Technology Director ... [Another team member] Aaron Pava has provided an [very positive] analysis of [the George Soros-funded] MoveOn."
- ▶ Reality Sandwich co-founder and New York City-based activist Jonathan Phillips also has a history tied to elite Eastern Establishment foundations:
  - ▶ [realitysandwich.com/user/jonathan\\_phillips](http://realitysandwich.com/user/jonathan_phillips) (accessed: January 4, 2011): "Jonathan Talat Phillips grew up in the Colorado Rockies. He has worked for The **September 11th Fund**, served as a columnist for **Music for America** and spearheaded the activist media group, **Greene Dragon**, where he appeared in international media such as CNN, MSNBC, ABC, Time, and on the cover of New York Magazine. After experiencing a number of mystical encounters, kundalini awakenings, and "miraculous" healings, he turned his focus towards expanding consciousness. He is one of the founding members of Evolver LLC [and] Reality Sandwich, and [serves] as director for [Evolver.net](#), a social network for "conscious collaboration." He coordinates the Evolver Regionals program, which now has over forty cities hosting



monthly "Spore" events. He gives "Electric Jesus" presentations, revealing how early Christians utilized energy for healing and spiritual evolution, and he is the creator and director of "The Ayahuasca Monologues: Tales of the Spirit Vine." Jonathan is trained in chi healing and Bioenergetic Therapy from the Connecticut Healing Institute [not exactly an institute; just a guy named family and marriage psychotherapist named Barry Gordon]. He is a Reiki Master, an initiate of the International Sufi Order, and founder of the NY Gnostics, and leads Energy Medicine workshops and retreats. He has a private energy healing practice in NYC."

- ▶ December 5, 2001, CNN, 'September 11th Fund helps AIDS, arts groups': "The **September 11th Fund** raised \$337 million [and] gives to other charities..."Institutions like the [Ford Foundation](#), which gave us \$5 million, the [Mott Foundation](#), which gave us more than \$ 1 million, etc., they say, 'We want you to pay attention to nonprofit institutions -- those institutions that are essential to the fabric of the community,'" Gotbaum said. ... Charity watcher Daniel Borochoff said the grants are stretching the definition of victim. ... A loan of \$33,000 went to the Institute for the Development of Earth Awareness..."
- ▶ July 26, 2004, Alternet, 'See How They Fund: The top 12 VIPs in the fight to oust George W. Bush': "[Important member of [George Soros'](#) Democracy Alliance] Andrew S. Rappaport [gave] \$1,300,000 [to] Music for America ...He and his wife, Deborah, along with former Nirvana bassist Kris Novoselic, make up the **Music for America** [founded in 2003] board of directors." Only the staff was visible at the time on the site, which was extremely anti-Bush and pro-John Kerry for the 2004 election. The in 2002 founded Rappaport Family Foundation has donated to the [Institute for Policy Studies](#) and other "liberal CIA" groups.
- ▶ [greenedragon.org/](#) (accessed: July 9, 2017): "**Greene Dragon** invites all patriotic revelers to join the American Revel-ution, a fun and freewheeling independence movement from President-Select George II and his corporate monarchy." No details on financing unfortunately, but the Greene Dragons staged anti-Bush protests in New York City. It was very active in the run-up to the 2004 elections.

September 1, 2004, Arizona Daily Wildcat, 'Float linked to radical NY group': "According to *Newsday*, the [[Greene Dragon](#)] has come under police scrutiny of late for possible connections to violent political protest. It was reported by the *New York Daily News* that the group had been infiltrated by undercover detectives from the New York Police Department in the months leading up to



*Sunday's incident and that several of its members had been identified as making "direct threats of violence against the city."*

- ▶ This entry on Reality Sandwich was actually inspired by (yet another) email to ISGP by [psychedelic nutball Jan Irvin](#), who, based on largely misinterpreted data, started to claim that Terence McKenna, as well as Irvin's former friend Joe Rogan, were covering up elite and CIA ties to the psychedelic community. These ties are there and Irvin has become the most prominent online writer on the subject, but unfortunately due to his extremely irrational conclusions and aggressive and outright insane behavior he accomplishes little but discredit this area of research. Simon Powell of Reality Sandwich, in cooperation with Joe Rogan, made use of this in a 2012 Reality Sandwich article to help discredit "conspiracy theories". Looking at the title, one could actually confuse it with the modern elite/Soros narrative on Third World immigration ("fear" and "paranoia").

- ▶ October 5, 2012, Reality Sandwich, 'An Outbreak of Fear and Paranoia in the Psychedelic Mushroom Community':  
*"Jan Irvin, who runs Gnostic Media [is] concerned with unveiling a sinister Elite/CIA/NWO conspiracy. ... This one involved, allegedly, a vast labyrinthine PSYOPS involving psychedelic mushrooms, Gordon Wasson, Aldous Huxley, The Esalen Institute, Teilhard De Chardin, 2012 eschatology, Alan Watts, Terence McKenna, and all manner of other psychedelic spokesmen and counter-culture luminaries. The gist of it is that the whole hippy psychedelic movement was stage managed by the CIA/Elite/NWO and that the malign manipulations of these [are] ultra-powerful puppet masters...*

*Examining his most recent video where he repeatedly calls Terence McKenna a "wilful idiot," and where he makes disturbing allegations against the Esalen Institute, Alan Watts, Aldous Huxley, and others, needs to be dealt with by someone else. Indeed, I have, by now, really had enough of all this. ...*

*what we have here is an outbreak of conspiracy-based paranoia... similar in kind to the scurrilous, fear-mongering paranoia whipped up by Lyndon LaRouche... If anyone could have found out about whether or not Wasson was indeed a CIA spy, then it would be this [John Marks](#) fellow. ...*

*Thanks to Joe Rogan ...and those others who offered me words of support when things were getting really heated.*

*...*

*Andrew Rutajit has been in touch and stated that it was a "fantastic article" and that he was in "full support" of*

*me. Andrew once worked with Irvin at Gnostic Media and they are also co-authors. Andrew also requested that he would like his name to be added to those, mentioned above, who have been supporting me. "*

## Reset.me

- ▶ This rather beautiful-looking news and information site on psychedelics was founded in March 2014 by dissenting CNN reporter [Amber Lyon](#). Before her resignation from the news enterprise of [Ted Turner](#), himself a huge financier of new age sustainable development programs (although he did censor Lyon's work for financial reasons), she was a major supporter of [Occupy Wall Street](#), [Anonymous](#) and the so-called Arab Spring.
- ▶ Amber Lyon's Facebook of June 1, 2015, shows that she has become friends with Alexander Soros (1985), son of billionaire superclass financier George Soros; and Wyatt Gordon Rockefeller (1985), grandson of Laurance Rockefeller. Both families have been massive supporters of the psychedelic movement, but at the same time are notorious for [financing heavy UFO disinformation](#).



Amber Lyon's Facebook friends: Rockefeller and Soros.

- ▶ Reset.me has been built by Toi.io, a web design firm whose most prominent client is progressive Bilderberg steering committee member Peter Thiel. As Toi.io describes it on its website, "We're Peter Thiel's agency and we design for The Thiel Foundation, Thiel Fellowship, Breakout Labs, Mithril, Thiel Capital & more." All these foundations and enterprises belong to Peter Thiel, who made his initial fortune as a co-founder of Paypal and then, in 2004, as the first outside investor in Facebook. In the same period, also in 2004, he became the founding chairman of Palantir Technologies, a company funded by the CIA's In-Q-Tel and plays an ever increasing role in cyber-defense of all aspects of the U.S. Defense Department. Maybe this should make one wonder about indirect ties between In-Q-Tel and Facebook that generated a bit of controversy in 2011. Strangely, this rather

direct tie wasn't discussed at the time.

- ▶ Thiel is a major *nouveau rich* philanthropist in the areas of artificial intelligence and anti-aging. In another coincidence, he is a key financier of anti-aging researcher Aubrey de Grey, a guest of the Joe Rogan Experience like Amber Lyon.
- ▶ Amber Lyon bio:
  - ▶ Back in the 2011-2012 period Lyon was fighting alongside Barrett Brown of [Anonymous](#), [Wikileaks](#) founder Julian Assange, and Glenn Greenwald, soon deeply involved in the Snowden NSA spy scandal, to guarantee the "*free flow of information*" to the public and anonymity for "Arab Spring" activists, some of them belonging to Anonymous, in countries as Tunisia and Bahrain. This whole group has allied itself in the liberal elite-backed [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#) and [The Intercept](#). In addition, this group - Anonymous in particular - has allied itself with the equally elite-backed [Occupy Wall Street](#) movement. Anonymous represents the utopian idea that hackers, leakers and social media would make it impossible for governments to keep secrets and, in the third world, continue to oppress its populations. In contrast, their biggest enemies were/are Facebook, Palantir (of Peter Thiel, see above), and the Obama administration. Booz Allen Hamilton and the NSA were added to this list of enemies in 2013.
  - ▶ Added to this list of enemies a little earlier, in late 2011, was CNN, when it refused to broadcast a documentary on its international arm that Lyon had produced which documented the "Arab Spring" revolution in Tunisia, Egypt and Bahrain. Especially the Bahrain angle appears to have been sensitive. Lyon's team documented how protestors were shot dead in broad daylight. On top of that, and not part of the documentary, at the time neocons were interested in using the U.S. base in Bahrain in a possible attack on Iran.
  - ▶ After internal consternation at CNN for the refusal to broadcast the documentary, Lyon learned that Bahrain and other countries with a questionable human rights status were buying hour-long airtime on CNN for the production of favorable documentaries. On November 11, 2011 New York Times journalist [Nicholas Kristof](#) tweeted: "*I wonder why CNN-Int still hasn't aired the #Bahrain iRevolution documentary by @AmberLyon. Intimidation?*"
  - ▶ Not much appears to have happened after that until Lyon departed from CNN the following year. On September 2, 2012, The Guardian dedicated an article to CNN's suppression of Lyon's documentary *iRevolution: Online*

*Warriors of the Arab Spring*. It was written by Glenn Greenwald, who, together with Lyon was a supporter of Anonymous' Barrett Brown, and also the reporter who in 2013 worked Edward Snowden in bringing out the NSA spy scandal. At the end of the month, on September 28, she became an important figure in the alternative media with simultaneous invitations to the [Alex Jones Show](#) and [Coast to Coast AM](#) - both completely dominated by scam artists. A week later, on October 4, she was a guest on the podcast of Joe Rogan.

- It's striking how completely different Lyon's October 2012 and March 2014 appearances on the Joe Rogan Experience podcasts are. A lot of that has to do with the fact that Rogan introduced her to the world of psychedelics. Intrigued after the first podcast, Lyon traveled to the Amazon to take ayahuasca. In addition she experimented with psychedelic mushrooms in Mexico, Thailand and Indonesia. Here's how Lyon explained things during her March 18, 2014 appearance:

- *"But I did take you seriously that day on the podcast when you told me that mushrooms could change the world and really planted a seed in my head that sprouted this journey that I have been doing around the world investigating these medicines. That never would have happened - my life wouldn't be at such a amazing state as it is in now if it hadn't been for you having the gumption to talk about this and start this dialogue in our country as psychedelics have been so taboo. ...*

*"I did 7 [Ayahuasca trips]. I went down. I was feeling really stressed out in life throughout my career. ... I remember you telling me. I had written you after the podcast about mushroom, because I looked up psilocybin and I could not believe all the lies we have been told about magic mushrooms. I mean, psilocybin is single-handedly one of the most incredible healing chemicals for the brain. Some people call it 30 years of therapy in one night. So I looked up psilocybin and I'd written you and you recommended trying Ayahuasca. And so I kinda kept that in the back of my mind and then when I got to this point in the spring where I felt like where I having so much anxiety, constant butterflies in my stomach, I couldn't sleep, I couldn't eat. It was like I was in an anxiety purgatory. And something in my brain, I just remembered that email and I remember reading all this positive research studies... and I knew I had to just go down to the jungle.*

*"I didn't even prepare. I just bought a ticket and*

*went down two days later. I was so out of it at the time. ... I don't even know how I found my way to the airport. It was like this magnet was drawing me to the jungle because I was just so anxious and I had so much adrenaline rushing in so many flashbacks happening that it was really hard to even drive. ... I remember looking up at the sky just thinking, Oh my God, if there's a rock bottom in life, I've hit it. And just thinking there's no way out. ... [My] whole plane was headed to the same retreat center [in Iquitos, Peru], which was about a two hour ride to the Amazon."*

- ▶ Obviously Rogan played a crucial role in converting Lyon from politics to psychedelics. By the time of her second appearance on the podcast, in March 2014, her site Reset.me was about to go live. It's a well-built and professional news site dedicated to psychedelics and also includes a podcast.
- ▶ Of course, being an experienced conspiracy theorist and already having seen plenty of red flags pop up with regard to statements of Joe Rogan and some of the guests he was inviting to his podcast, I never trusted Lyon. As a first little test, I sent her an email. On her last podcast with Joe Rogan she claimed to be looking for experienced users of psychedelics as mushrooms, ayahuasca and Ibogaine to network with or be moderators on her forum - things like that. In the email I genuinely thank her for her work, briefly mention some of my experiences, and as a bonus throw in a few pieces of NGO information on Bahrain that she almost certainly was not aware of. This information involved:
  - ▶ Foundation for the Future, Bahrain: founded in 2005 by Condoleezza Rice, Liz Cheney and Shaha Riza (Paul Wolfowitz's girlfriend and employee).
  - ▶ Bahrain Center for Strategic, International and Energy Studies (Derasat): founded in 2010, with on its international advisory board: Dr. Mohammad Sabah Al-Salem Al-Sabah (Kuwaiti ambassador to the U.S.; attached to Oxford and Harvard universities), Jaap de Hoop-Scheffer, Dominique De Villepin and Kevin Rudd.
  - ▶ Information on one or two more Bahrain-connected NGOs.
- ▶ As expected, I received no acknowledgment, no thank you, no reaction whatsoever from Lyon. From there I started looking around a little bit and found just an endless amount of curious ties.
  - ▶ Her former employer, CNN's Ted Turner, is in ISGP's Superclass Index as one of the premier supporters

alongside the Rockefellers of ultra-liberal new age and sustainable development projects.

- ▶ Her type of [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#) activism at CNN has been backed by major liberal establishment foundations as [Rockefeller](#), [Ford](#), [MacArthur](#), [Omidyar](#) and [Soros](#).
- ▶ When Lyon switched over to psychedelics research, she still was backed by the exact same interests. Which quickly became clear when I noticed Alexander Soros and Wyatt Rockefeller among her Facebook friends.
- ▶ Her key early supporter, New York Times journalist [Nick Kristof](#), today is also as liberal "new left" Eastern Establishment as they come.
- ▶ Her website was built by a firm with extremely close ties to young, progressive Bilderberger Peter Thiel - whose Palantir Technologies firm at the same time should be among her biggest enemies.
- ▶ While Lyon has no love for ISGP, she does openly support without question Gwennyth Todd, whose whistleblowing supposedly prevented a false flag type event by the United States to draw Iran into war. Explaining what exactly is wrong with Todd and her account takes way too long and has been done in Lyon's Coast to Coast AM biography for ISGP, but how about, for starters, that Todd, a member of solid Eastern Establishment family, sits on the editorial board of [Veterans Today](#), a bizarre top-level international spook network and conspiracy disinformation outfit that works with all enemies of the west, including the Russians, Serbs, the Mujahideen, and the Pakistani ISI, the latter represented by jihadist terrorist "godfather" and ISI chief Hamid Gul. Veteran's Today spreads massive amounts of disinformation on 9/11 with a strong anti-Israel bias through authors and documentary producers as [Dr. Kevin Barrett](#), [Dr. James Fetzer](#), and [Ken O'Keefe](#). The latter battled with Israeli commandos during the Free Gaza flotilla incident.
- ▶ A parallel bio of Amber Lyon can be found in ISGP's [Cult of National Security Trolls](#) article. Look here for some additional sources.

## Seva Foundation





Left: Dr. Larry Brilliant with Ram Dass on Maui, Hawaii, during 2012 Thanksgiving Satsang. Right: December 9, 2013 conversation about treating PTSD with psychedelics between Dr. Richard Rockefeller with Dr. Larry Brilliant.

- ▶ Listed in the psychedelics section, because the Seva Foundation ties together Ram Dass of the [Harvard psychedelic project](#) and the [Esalen Institute](#); Larry Brilliant, later a close ally of the Rockefellers in psychedelic research; and Apple founder Steve Jobs, an early LSD experimenter whose company was financed by Laurance Rockefeller.
  - ▶ July 19, 2004, Sun Sentinel, 'Billionaire philanthropist Laurance Rockefeller, July 11': *"Billionaire philanthropist Laurance Spelman Rockefeller, a conservationist and leading figure in the field of venture capital, died... He was 94. He was the grandson of oil tycoon John Rockefeller and was worth more than \$1.5 billion. He served in the Navy during World War II and was a lieutenant commander. As a venture capitalist, he helped launch Eastern Airlines in 1938 and was an early investor in both Apple Computer and Intel. He founded the American Conservation Association in 1958."*
  - ▶ December 18, 2015, CNN, 'I did LSD with Steve Jobs': *"When Daniel Kottke reminisces about his college days in the early '70s, he describes them as pretty prosaic. A freshman dorm room filled with books on spirituality, Pink Floyd playing in the background, a pastoral college campus -- and hallucinogens. The only thing, he says, that was in any way remarkable about his LSD trips was his fellow traveler: Steve Jobs. Kottke was one of Apple's first employees, and before the world knew Steve Jobs as the creator of Apple, Kottke knew him as a friend he used to trip with at Reed College. He was uncomfortable discussing these experiences while Jobs was alive, but was willing to share them with CNNMoney now. "We would take psychedelics and whole new vistas opened up," Kottke said. The two initially bonded over their interest in "Be Here Now," a book on things like psychedelics and spirituality. This became the foundation for a fast friendship. "We were monk-wannabes," Kottke said. They were on a quest to better understand consciousness using an LSD varietal known as Orange Sunshine as their Sherpa. "We were ... in a meditative space," Kottke said. "But that's partly because we were reading books about chakras and psychic energy and the chi and the Kundalini serpent that was going to rise up our spine." Kottke had access to LSD, and Jobs was an enthusiast. They would read, go on hikes*



and wander the rose gardens at Reed College. Jobs has been quoted as saying that LSD was one of the most profound experiences of his life, and the name for Apple came from his experience working on the apple farm of another fellow tripper from Reed. Kottke moved to Palo Alto in 1976 to be one of the only staffers in the Apple Garage, working on the very first Apple I computer. He was not an engineer but developed a curiosity about how chips worked, spending his free time reading Byte magazine and the manual for the 6502 processor. Showing the prototypes to CNNMoney, Kottke recalled that from the very beginning, Jobs was obsessed with making every aspect of the product as aesthetically appealing as possible -- even the appearance of the circuit board. From one iteration to the next, Jobs demanded that the RAM chips be moved further apart, even though the only way they'd be seen was if the computer was broken open. Jobs was working the phones, and Kottke's main role was testing circuit boards. Steve Wozniak would come work at night after his day job at Hewlett Packard [from which the billionaire [Hewlett Foundation](#) and [Packard Foundation](#) emerged]. The company was based out of the garage for about a year, moving into a real office a few months after it was incorporated in January 1977. At that point, the drug-fueled search for salvation had mostly faded. "Once Apple started, Steve was really focused with all of his energy on making Apple successful," Kottke said. "And he didn't need psychedelics for that." Wozniak was also not interested in dropping acid, according to Kottke. "Woz was in very close touch with the extent to which his mind is a miracle of nature. He's just fantastically interested in things ... His mind was always working perfectly well and [he] didn't want to mess it up," Kottke said. As the company grew, Kottke and Jobs drifted. Just a few years before Jobs' death, it was psychedelics that put Kottke back in touch with Jobs. Albert Hoffmann, who discovered LSD, was turning 100 and soliciting financial support for psychedelics research. Kottke was asked to connect Hoffmann with Jobs, which he did; but Kottke doesn't believe that the introduction resulted in any monetary contributions."

- ▶ [ted.com/speakers/larry\\_brilliant](#) (accessed: March 26, 2016): "Larry Brilliant's career path, as unlikely as it is inspirational, has proven worthy of his surname. Trained as a doctor, he was living in a Himalayan monastery in the early 1970s when his guru told him he should help rid the world of smallpox. He joined the World Health Organization's eradication project, directed efforts to



*eliminate the disease in India and eventually presided over the last case of smallpox on the planet. Not content with beating a single disease, he founded the nonprofit Seva Foundation , which has cured more than two million people of blindness in 15 countries (through innovative surgery, self-sufficient eye care systems, and low-cost manufacturing of intraocular lenses). Outside the medical field, he found time to cofound the legendary online community The Well, and run two public technology companies. Time and WIRED magazines call him a "technology visionary." ... His 2006 TED Prize wish draws on both sides of his career: He challenged the TED community to help him build a global early-response system to detect new diseases or disasters as quickly as they emerge or occur. Shortly after he won the TED Prize, Google executives asked Brilliant to run their new philanthropic arm, Google.org. ... Today, Larry is President and CEO of the [Skoll Global Threats Fund](#), where he heads a team whose mission is to confront global threats imperiling humanity: pandemics, climate change, water security, nuclear proliferation and Middle East conflict."*

► [seva.org/site/PageServer?](http://seva.org/site/PageServer?)

[pagename=Remembering\\_Steve\\_Jobs](#) #.VemnwX1PKuo  
(accessed: November 18, 2015): *"As we all mourn the passing of Steve Jobs, Seva has a unique appreciation for his generosity. While working away in his garage, Steve made the first significant donation to Seva. His support made it possible for Seva to launch the Nepal Blindness Program -- considered by many to be one of the most comprehensive eye care programs in the developing world. [Steve\\_Jobs\\_content\\_page.jpg](#) It meant a lot to everyone with Seva that this young guy working to make a difference through technology thought enough of our work to make a cash gift. Participating as an advisor in Seva's early meetings, Steve recognized the vital nature of eye care data for program planning and quality assurance. His donation of one of the first Apple IIs and VisiCalc enabled Seva's US and Nepali team to [Apple\\_II\\_donated\\_by\\_Steve\\_J.jpg](#) enter and analyze eye care survey results. When the helicopter used in the survey needed a replacement engine, Steve's gift of computer communications tools came to the rescue. Results of the survey charted the course for hundreds of thousands of sight saving surgeries in the years since. Steve and Laurene helped Seva celebrate its 25th anniversary and the legacy of service made possible by his early gifts. As Seva Board member Jahanara Romney reflected the evening of Steve's passing: Steve Jobs is being adored across all media lines. Tributes after tributes on all stations and part of every conversation,*

*like the night John Lennon died. And all so well deserved. The span of Steve's life has brought advanced computer tools-- like the ones we used to marvel at in Nepal that took up a giant building and used up so much power it could shut down the whole of Kathmandu -- into a stylish box in our kitchens and children's rooms. I am awed by his resume. But when I remember that he gave the first money to allow us early idealists to start and nurture Seva which is now grown into real force for good, I appreciate him all the more, and will miss him."*

- ▶ [seva.org/site/](http://seva.org/site/PageServer?pagename=News_TED_prize#.VemoVX1PKuo) [PageServer?pagename=News\\_TED\\_prize#.VemoVX1PKuo](http://seva.org/site/PageServer?pagename=News_TED_prize#.VemoVX1PKuo) (accessed: November 18, 2015): *"Co-founding the pioneering online community The Well, with Stewart Brand — noting that TIME and Wired magazines call Larry [Brilliant] a "technology visionary.""*
- ▶ [seva.org/site/PageServer?pagename=about/history.html#.VemnXH1PKuo](http://seva.org/site/PageServer?pagename=about/history.html#.VemnXH1PKuo) (accessed: November 18, 2015): *"In 1978, a remarkable conference of friends and colleagues gathered at the Waldenwoods Conference Center, near Ann Arbor, Michigan to consider this question: How could they be of service? The answer turned out to be Seva Foundation. In 1978, after working with the World Health Organization (WHO) to end smallpox in India, Dr. Larry Brilliant (currently President, Skoll Global Threats Fund), and his wife Girija Brilliant, a public health specialist, published an article entitled Death of a Killer Disease. It was a personal account of their decade in Asia, first as youthful travelers, then as spiritual seekers, and eventually as part of WHO's successful smallpox eradication team. They concluded the article with an appeal to readers to find the compassion and understanding to support international health programs to benefit those struggling with poverty. Readers were moved, and soon \$20,000 of donations arrived in Larry and Girija's mailbox — with the first \$5,000 coming from not-yet-famous computer inventor, Steve Jobs. An Eclectic Rolodex Inspired by the supportive response, the Brilliants convened a conference of friends and colleagues to consider what to do next now that smallpox had been eradicated — how could they best be of service? Using their personal Rolodex of health professionals and cultural activists, the Brilliants invited an eclectic group that included the World Health Organization's Dr. Nicole Grasset, spiritual teacher Ram Dass, and Berkeley activists Wavy Gravy and Jahanara Romney. The Sight Program is Launched Dr. Grasset introduced the group to Dr. G. Venkataswamy, a retired eye surgeon in India known as "Dr. V" who was just setting out to fulfill his vision of making cataract surgery as "ubiquitous as McDonalds," and therefore affordable to the poor. That was the beginning of Seva's partnership in the high-volume eye clinic that would become*

*the internationally known Aravind Eye Care Systems. Since then, Seva programs have helped 3.5 million people to see again. In just the past year, Seva's Sight Program has provided one million people with eye care services worldwide."*

- ▶ December 9, 2013, Dr. Larry Brilliant during a conversation with Dr. Richard Rockefeller at The Commonwealth Club of California radio program, 59:30: *"I was privileged to be at the Rockefeller Foundation's 100-year anniversary celebrations six weeks ago. And for those of you who don't know, the Rockefeller Foundation created my field, created public health. It did the first eradication program of hookworm. It worked to fund all the yellow fever vaccination studies and really has brought us so many firsts... I wanna thank Dr. Richard Rockefeller, my dear friend, former board member of the Rockefeller University and Rockefeller Brothers Fund."*

## Psychedelics-science overlap

### Buckminster Fuller Institute / Design Science Institute

- ▶ Buckminster "Bucky" Fuller was involved in the [Esalen Institute](#), which stood under considerable influence from Laurance Rockefeller, and served as an inspiration to the leaders of the emerging psychedelic hippie gurus as Timothy Leary, Ram Dass and Alan Watts. Fuller also had major influence on Stewart Brand and John Brockman - with Brand in particular closely involved with the psychedelic gurus of the 1990s - who in later decades largely set up the technology network that today has led to the famous [TED conferences](#) and the related [Edge Foundation Billionaires Dinners](#).
- ▶ The institute has numerous close ties to the CIA, as well as the Rockefeller family.
- ▶ His Buckminster Fuller Institute was founded in 1972 as the Design Science Institute:
  - ▶ August 9, 1972, The Telegraph, 'Design Science Institute To Promote Fuller's Ideas': *"Buckminster Fuller, the aging [77 years at the time] multimedia thinker who has been, for 45 years, a prominent maverick in almost every field from philosophy to engineering, is ending his days as a dogged individualist and turning over his lifework of "reforming the environment of man" to a new, nonprofit corporation, the Design Science Institute. ... The president of the institute will be Dr. Glenn A. Olds, the president of Kent State University in Ohio and a former U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Economic and Social Council. ... Olds said the institute would have a "world advisory council" comprising Arthur C. Clarke, writer of science and science fiction [and later of the questionable [Institute for Cooperation in Space](#)]; Constantinos A.*

*Dexiadis, the urban planner; Margaret Mead, the anthropologist [of the [Macy Conferences](#)]; Jones E. Salk, the medical scientist; U. Thant, former Secretary General of the United Nations; and Jerome B. Wiesner, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and science adviser to the late President John F. Kennedy."*

- ▶ [Buckminster.info/Index/D/Design-Science-Institute.htm](http://Buckminster.info/Index/D/Design-Science-Institute.htm) (accessed: April 27, 2016): *"Board of Directors: Applewhite, E. J., Author; Close, Fritz, Board Chairman of Alcoa; Cousins, Norman, World Magazine Editor; Dickler, Gerald, R. B. Fuller's New York Attorney; Haar, Charles M., Harvard University Law Professor; Kaiser, Neva Goodwin Rockefeller, Cambridge, MA; Meyerson, Martin, University of Pennsylvania President; Olds, Dr Glenn A. Kent, State University President; Rendleman, John S., Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville President; Whitlow, M. W., President of East Dubuque Savings Bank; Wolf, William W., President of Wolf Computer Corp. ... World Advisory Council: Clark, Arthur C., Space Scientist; Doxiadis, Constantinos A., Urban Planner; Hickel, Walter, Governor of Alaska; Mead, Margaret, Anthropologist; Salk, Jonas E., Medical Scientist; Thant, U., Secretary General of United Nations; Wiesner, Jerome B., President of Massachusetts Institute of Technology."*

- ▶ Neva Rockefeller Goodwin, a daughter of David Rockefeller and future vice chairman of the [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#), aided Buckminster Fuller in establishing his Design Science Institute / Buckminster Fuller Institute in the 1972-1979 period:

- ▶ [ase.tufts.edu/gdae/about\\_us/cv/goodwin\\_print\\_html](http://ase.tufts.edu/gdae/about_us/cv/goodwin_print_html) (accessed: April 21, 2016): *"NEVA R. GOODWIN [Daughter of David Rockefeller]: ... Harvard College - B.A. ... 1966. ... 1972-1979: worked closely with Buckminster Fuller to establish and organize the Design Science Institute. ... Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University ... 1982... Boston University -- PhD in Economics, 1987... Rockefeller Brother Fund, New York, NY: trustee (1985-1994); trustee and vice -chair of the board (1997-) ... June, 1993: Member of a World Bank Mission to Russia... President's Council on Sustainable Development... 1995. ..."*

- ▶ Norman Cousins of the Buckminster Fuller Institute board of directors was a member of the Pilgrims Society. He also was founding vice president 1947-1952, and president 1952-, of the United World Federalists under the CIA's Cord Meyer.
- ▶ Margaret Mead of the Buckminster Fuller Institute advisory board was married to Gregory Bateson of the [Esalen Institute](#) and the [Macy Conferences](#). Mead was also involved in the latter group, which the CIA in part ran its operation MKULTRA

through and which was also closely tied to the Rockefellers.

- ▶ Also involved in the Buckminster Fuller Institute early on was the curious Brendan O. Regan, who undoubtedly had CIA ties and most certainly was part of the security state:
  - ▶ [noetic.org/directory/person/brendan-oregan](http://noetic.org/directory/person/brendan-oregan) (accessed: March 17, 2016): *"Brendan O'Regan was the first Director of Research at the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#) where he worked from 1975 until his death in 1992. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry from the National University of Ireland and a Master of Science degree in neurochemistry from Indiana University. Prior to joining the Institute of Noetic Sciences, he served as Research Coordinator for R. Buckminster Fuller, research consultant to [Stanford Research Institute's](#) Center for the Study of Social Policy, and consultant for BBC Television. He was appointed by the Fetzer Institute [took over financing of the Lindisfarne Association from Laurance Rockefeller in the 1990s] as a Fetzer Fellow to assist guidance of their scientific, medical and educational programs."*
  - ▶ [mindcontrolforums.com/hambone/stenger.html](http://mindcontrolforums.com/hambone/stenger.html) (accessed: June 18, 2004): *"[Jack Sarfatti of the Esalen Institute and SRI:] I was then simply a young, inexperienced, naive 'useful idiot' in a very very sophisticated and successful covert psychological warfare operation ran by the late Brendan O. Regan of the Institute of Noetic Sciences and the late Harold Chipman, who was the CIA station chief responsible for all mind-control research in the Bay Area in the 70s. Chipman (aka 'Orwell') funded me covertly before that, and told me much of the story. In fact, he even introduced me to a beautiful woman adventurer-agent who was one of his RV subjects who later became my live-in 'significant other.'"*
  - ▶ February 1997, Vol. 2, No. 2a, Jack Sarfatti (bizarre [Coast to Coast AM](#)-invited individual) in MindNet Journal, 'Sarfatti's Illuminati: In the thick of it!': *"Ira [Einhorn] took us to the mainline mansion of Arthur Young [who in the 1950s used to work with Andrija Puharich on channeling "The Nine" Ennead Gods of Ancient Egypt at the [Round Table Foundation](#)]. Young was the inventor of the Bell Helicopter and was a close friend of Charles Lindbergh. Young's wife was an heiress of the Forbes Steel fortune. Young financed the Institute for the Study of Consciousness in Berkeley California. He invited me to stay there. Einhorn told me he would introduce me to Stewart Brand, Michael Murphy [co-founder and head of the [Esalen Institute](#)] [14] and George Leonard [15] when I got to San Francisco. He was very concerned about what*

he called "Soviet breakthroughs in psychotronic weapons of mind control at a distance using ELF and sound waves." He said he had support from the local telephone company and from the Bronfman [16] in Toronto to link up visionary scientists like myself. He also said he was working with Jacques Vallee [17] and Brendan O. Regan on a UFO data base. Ira mentioned that he was working with Congressman Charlie Rose (D. North Carolina) of the House Select Committee on Intelligence [18]. Rose confirmed his connection to Einhorn in a telephone conversation with me. ... Ira spent weeks at Esalen after he was indicted for the murder of Holly Maddux. Senator Arlen Specter was his defense attorney and one of the Bronfmans from Toronto allegedly paid his legal fees. ... [8] I recall meeting Einhorn and Puharich in London when I stayed with Brendan O. Regan at Joyce Petchek's palatial mansion which had its own olympic-sized swimming pool in the basement. Joyce was a Jewish American Princess who "channeled" an ancient Egyptian Princess."

- ▶ Developed his Synergetics theories of the 1970s with CIA officer Edgar "Eddie" Applewhite, who earlier ran an operation to undermine Ramparts magazine:
  - ▶ bfi.org/about-fuller/big-ideas/synergetics (accessed: March 11, 2016): "E.J. Applewhite on Synergetics The following is excerpted from a past issue of BFI's newsletter, Trimtab. In his efforts to clarify the meaning and importance of synergetics, E.J. Applewhite Jr. stands second to none - except, of course, Bucky himself. What Ed says on synergetics is source material, and his contribution to the subject cannot be overstated. E.J. collaborated with Bucky on Synergetics 1 & 2, and he compiled - on a typewriter not a computer -- one of the oddest books in philosophical history - The Synergetics Dictionary, a 4-volume photocopied collection of 22,000 3 x 5 cards used during their work on Synergetics. On the cards he abstracted Buckminster Fuller 's thoughts on hundreds of topics from letters, books, tapes, published and unpublished papers, and thus "introduced Bucky to himself" on all these subjects. And too, in the process, he gave Fuller scholars an annotated resource beyond price. Truth is, we should dedicate this issue of Trimtab to EJA, but since our purpose here is in search of principles, to explore the significance of synergetics, we decided to interview Ed instead of praising him. Ed is a very busy man, so we went one step further and decided to take our "interview" from his own book, Cosmic Fishing - An Account of writing Synergetics with Buckminster Fuller, a wonderful little book, written in 1977, now out of print.

*In it, we get snapshots of their creative process. If we can understand better the circumstances in which Synergetics was written, we might find more, better, easier ways to approach it. Cosmic Fishing is a gold mine for answering the questions which spawned this issue of Trimtab. ... EJA: In the course of writing Synergetics, Bucky would say that he felt as if he were an agent for some transcendent or supernatural source of inspiration, as if he were merely an inceptor or transceiver of messages originating elsewhere. It was not like a trance or automatic writing, but there were occasions when he could not provide a rational accounting for what he had written or said -- nor did he even pretend to recognize its full significance. The thought has its own integrity independent of the thinker, and we respected it accordingly. "The thought," he says, "does not belong to you."*

- ▶ 1996, Evan Thomas, 'The Very Best Men: Four Who Dared - The Early Years of the CIA', pp. 329-330 (words of CIA officer Edgar "Eddie" Applewhite): *"I had all sorts of dirty tricks to hurt their circulation and financing. The people running Ramparts were vulnerable to blackmail. We had awful things in mind, some of which we carried off, though Ramparts fell of its own accord. We were not the least inhibited by the fact that the CIA had no internal security role in the United States."*

▶ Financing Buckminster Fuller Institute:

- ▶ Annual report 2005, Threshold Foundation: *"Buckminster Fuller Institute. Serves a global network of Design Science Innovators ... Threshold supported the first phase build-out of a gaming engine prototype for Spaceship Earth: The Game. \$20,000. ... Rudolf Steiner Foundation / Media Venture Collective ... \$15,000..."*
- ▶ Financed by the [Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#) in 2012, 2013 and 2014 with unknown amounts.
- ▶ 2011, The Buckminster Fuller Challenge: *"Acknowledgments [sic]: The work of BFI and this program is made possible by the generous support of the following institutions, foundations and individuals. ... The [Flora Family Foundation](#). ... The Morgan Family Foundation. Pratt Institute. [Rudolf Steiner Social Finance Fund](#). ... The Whitney Museum of American Art."*
- ▶ [bfi.org/get-involved/our-supporters](http://bfi.org/get-involved/our-supporters) (accessed: March 11, 2016): *"Google ... New York University ... RSF Social Finance. Rudolf Steiner Foundation ... The Whitney Museum of American Art ... [Threshold Foundation](#)..."*



- ▶ Founded in 1930 by Kate Macy Ladd, a close friend of [Pilgrims Society](#) member John D. Rockefeller, Jr.
  - ▶ 2012, Christopher Tudico, Ph.D. and George E. Thibault, M.D. for the Macy Foundation, 'The History of the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation', pp. 9-10, 13: *"Kate Macy Ladd's father [was] Josiah Macy Jr. ... Josiah Jr.'s grandfather, Captain Josiah Macy, left Nantucket and established a successful shipping firm in New York City. The family firm, known as Josiah Macy and Sons, prospered under the leadership of Captain Macy's sons and grandsons. The firm opened one of the first oil refineries in the state of New York, a move that linked the family to the Rockefellers. Ultimately, the much larger Standard Oil Corporation [of the Rockefellers] bought the Macy family company. ... Kate Macy Ladd, on the other hand, developed more and more of an interest in scientific work, particularly through her talks with her physician, Ludwig Kast. Kate Macy Ladd was also influenced by seeing the work of her friend John D. Rockefeller Jr. (and the [Rockefeller Foundation](#))—whom she admired. ... In the spring of 1930, Kate Macy Ladd pushed ahead to create a foundation that would be devoted to health and medicine."*
- ▶ Important historical board members:
  - ▶ **Kate Macy Ladd:** Founder Macy Foundation. Good friend of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., whose family bought her family's oil business.
  - ▶ **Colonel Marlborough Churchill:** Founding executive secretary Macy Foundation 1930-.
  - ▶ **John Dewey:** Founding director Macy Foundation 1930-1944.
  - ▶ **Harry Fosdick:** Founding director Macy Foundation 1930-1961. Pastor of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. His brother Raymond Fosdick was a trustee of the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) 1920s-1940s and a [Pilgrim](#) in the 1950s.
  - ▶ **Frank Fremont-Smith:** Medical director, executive secretary and in charge of the Macy Conference Program 1936-early 1960s. Faculty member neuropathology department at Harvard Medical School.
  - ▶ **Clarence G. Michalis:** Chair Macy Foundation 1941-1969, director until 1976. Reportedly affiliated with Montagu Norman.
  - ▶ **Clarence F. Michalis:** Son of Clarence G. Michalis. Chair Macy Foundation 1969-2005.
  - ▶ **Willard Rappleye:** Director Macy Foundation 1933-1976, president 1941-1965.
  - ▶ **George Packer Berry:** Director Macy Foundation 1943-1981. Dean Harvard Medical School.
  - ▶ **Charles S. McVeigh:** Director Macy Foundation 1943-



1960.

- ▶ **John Z. Bowers:** Staffer at the [Rockefeller Foundation](#) in 1964. President Macy Foundation 1965-1980. Revived the Macy Conference Program in 1965, after a stop in 1960.
- ▶ **James G. Hirsch:** President Macy Foundation 1981-1987. Staffer Rockefeller University for 31 years, dean of graduate studies 1972-1980.
- ▶ **Louis S. Auchincloss:** Director Macy Foundation 1968-1997. Member of an establishment [Pilgrims Society](#) family.
- ▶ **William N. Rothschild Jr.:** Director Macy Foundation 1974-1992.
- ▶ **Harold Amos:** Director Macy Foundation 1974-1990. Professor of microbiology and molecular genetics at Harvard Medical School.
- ▶ **Mary Patterson McPherson:** Director Macy Foundation 1977-2010. Vice president [Mellon Foundation](#).
- ▶ **S. Parker Gilbert:** Director Macy Foundation 1985-late 2000s. Son of a J.P. Morgan & Co. partner who died early in 1938 and godson of J.P. Morgan & Co. Harold Stanley (later of Morgan Stanley). Chair Morgan Stanley 1983-1990. Executive member of the [Pilgrims Society](#) since 1984. Like his father, a CFR member.
- ▶ **John Jay Iselin:** Director Macy Foundation 1989-2007.
- ▶ **Arthur H. Hayes, Jr.:** Director Macy Foundation 1991-2008.
- ▶ **William H. Wright II:** Director Macy Foundation 2000-, chair. Managing director Morgan Stanley.
- ▶ Cerebral Inhibition Meeting (May 1942) and the Cybernetic Conferences (1946-1953) participants (cross-expertise conferences to try and understand the human mind): Harold Abramson (reporting secretary of two conferences), Gregory Bateson, Kurt Lewin, Margaret Mead, Oskar Morgenstern, John von Neumann.
- ▶ Group Process Conferences (1954-1960) participants (in April 1959 there was an LSD conference): Gregory Bateson, Margaret Mead, Robert Lifton, Jean Piaget, etc.
- ▶ February 1979, 'A Conversation on LSD' (YouTube), large meeting at Oscar Janiger's between almost anyone who played a role in the psychedelics movement: Tim Leary, Humphry Osmond, Capatin Al Hubbard, Huxley (arrived later), Lilly (arrived later) and many others, 47:00: *"[Dr. Oscar Janiger:] I said, "Do you realize you were the first person to publish in an American journal on LSD?" [Anthony K. Busch] said, "Yes, I guess so." [Sidney Cohen:] He came to some of the Macy Foundation conferences, you remember? You were there, right? [Janiger:] Yeah."*
- ▶ The Macy Foundation apparently was a favorite of CIA Technical Services Staff (TSS; part of the science directorate)

staffer and was even used as an CIA MKULTRA conduit for about two years, apparently in the mid-1950s:

- ▶ 1979, John Marks, 'The Search for the Manchurian Candidate', pp. 44, 47, 52, 88: *"Harold Abramson ... never wrote a word about one of his early LSD assignments from the Agency. In a 1953 document, Sid Gottlieb listed subjects he expected Abramson to investigate with the \$85,000 the Agency was furnishing him. Gottlieb wanted "operationally pertinent materials along the following lines: a. Disturbance of Memory; b. Discrediting by Aberrant Behavior; c. Alteration of Sex Patterns; d. Eliciting of Information; e. Suggestibility; f. Creation of Dependence." ... For every Isbell, Hyde, or Abramson who did TSS contract work, there were dozens of others who simply served as casual CIA informants, some witting and some not. Each TSS project officer had a skull session with dozens of recognized experts several times a year. "That was the only way a tiny staff like Sid Gottlieb's could possibly keep on top of the burgeoning behavioral sciences," says an ex-CIA official. "There would be no way you could do it by library research or the Ph.D. dissertation approach." The TSS men always asked their contacts for the names of others they could talk to, and the contacts would pass them on to other interesting scientists. In LSD research, TSS officers benefited from the energetic intelligence gathering of their contractors, particularly Harold Abramson. Abramson talked regularly to virtually everyone interested in the drug, including the few early researchers not funded by the Agency or the military, and he reported his findings to TSS. In addition, he served as reporting secretary of two conference series sponsored by the Agency's sometime conduit, the Macy Foundation. These series each lasted over five year periods in the 1950s; one dealt with "Problems of Consciousness" and the other with "Neuropharmacology." Held once a year in the genteel surroundings of the Princeton Inn, the Macy Foundation conferences brought together TSS's (and the military's) leading contractors, as part of a group of roughly 25 with the multidisciplinary background that TSS officials so loved. The participants came from all over the social sciences and included such luminaries as Margaret Mead and Jean Piaget. The topics discussed usually mirrored TSS's interests at the time, and the conferences served as a spawning ground for ideas that allowed researchers to engage in some healthy cross-fertilization. Beyond the academic world, TSS looked to the pharmaceutical companies as another source on drugs—and for a continuing supply of new products to test. ...*

*The section on TSS's noncontract informants came from interviews with TSS sources, reading the proceedings of the Macy Conferences on "Problems of Consciousness" and "Neuropharmacology," and interviews with several participants including Sidney Cohen, Humphrey Osmond, and Hudson Hoagland." ... Having responded to a Life article about an expedition that was partially funded by the CIA, [Timothy] Leary returned to a Harvard campus where students and professors had for years served as subjects for CIA- and military-funded LSD experiments. His career as a drug prophet lay before him. Soon he would be quoting in his own Kamasutra from the CIA's contractor Harold Abramson and others, brought together for scholarly drug conferences by the sometime Agency conduit, the Macy Foundation. With LSD, as with mushrooms, the men from MKULTRA remained oblivious, for the most part, to the rebellious effect of the drug culture in the United States. "I don't think we were paying any attention to it," recalls a TSS official. The CIA's scientists looked at drugs from a different perspective and went on trying to fashion their spy arsenal. Through the entire 1960s and into the 1970s, the Agency would scour Latin America for poisonous and narcotic plants."*

- ▶ 2012, Christopher Tudico, Ph.D. and George E. Thibault, M.D. for the Macy Foundation, 'The History of the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation', pp. 15-16, 90-91: *"Kate Macy Ladd established the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation with an initial gift of \$5 million. [Her physician] Ludwig Kast became the first president of the Macy Foundation. Dave Hennen Morris, a prominent lawyer and the future ambassador to Belgium, assumed the role of chairman of the board. Colonel Marlborough Churchill, a military intelligence officer and a distant cousin of Winston Churchill, served as executive secretary. [22] While Kast led the Macy Foundation on a day-to-day basis, with the guidance of the board of directors, Kate Macy Ladd remained very involved with the Macy Foundation. JOSIAH MACY JR. FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: John Dewey (1930-1944) Frederic J. Faulks (1930-1933) ... Clarence G. Michalis (1940-1969) ... Harry Emerson Fosdick (1930-1961) ... Charles S. McVeigh (1943-1960) ... Willard C. Rappleye (1933-1976) ... Clarence F. Michalis (1956-2005) ... John Z. Bowers (1965-1980) ... Louis S. Auchincloss (1968-1998) ... Harold Amos (1974-1990) William N. Rothschild Jr (1974-1992) ... S. Parker Gilbert (1985-late 2000s) ... John Jay Iselin (1989-2007) Arthur H. Hayes Jr. (1991-2008) ... June Osborn (1996-2007)..."*
- ▶ American Society for Cybernetics: [ascybernetics.org/foundations/history/MacySummary.htm](http://ascybernetics.org/foundations/history/MacySummary.htm): *"As previously mentioned, there is a lack of comprehensive documentation on the Macy Conferences. Part of this derives*

*from the fact that the first five conferences - by all accounts the most lively and energizing - were never formally documented with published proceedings. Part of this derives from the fact that it was not until Steve Joshua Heims undertook his massive research decades after the fact that anyone addressed the Macy Conferences as a historical subject. Even Heims' work, impressive though it is, doesn't bother to give a uniformly detailed historical account of the conferences. This summary is not claimed to provide a comprehensive account of the conferences. It is simply a collated set of basic facts along with such illustrative tidbits as can be gleaned from Heims' *The Cybernetics Group*, Dupuy's *Mechanization of the Mind*, and other sources.*

*- 1st Conference, 8 - 9 March 1946, New York City. ATTENDEES: CORE GROUP: [Gregory] Bateson, ... Frank Fremont-Smith ... [Kurt] Lewin ... McCulloch (chair), [Margaret] Mead, [John] von Neumann, Northrop ... [Norbert] Wiener... Inaugural Macy Conference entitled "Feedback Mechanisms and Circular Causal Systems in Biological and Social Systems." The conference title will shift repeatedly during the series. In addition, Wiener's invocation of the term 'cybernetics' for the subject matter was still in the future."*

## **TED Talks: Technology, Entertainment, Design**

- ▶ The TED Talks or TED Conferences were founded by Richard Saul Wurman in 1984. The TED Talks were revived in 1990 and from there the event began to take off.
- ▶ In 2001 TED was bought by the Sapling Foundation, making the foundation's owner, the British Chris Anderson, the organization's curator (anderson still is today in the 2020s). Chris Anderson bio:
  - ▶ Born in Pakistan by missionary parents. Educated at the Woodstock School in the Himalayas (June 26, 2017: *"Pretty much everyone who comes out of that school, ends up thinking of themselves as a global soul... Certainly my journey with TED is try to make it more global."*) and Oxford University. 1985 founder of publish firm Future PLC, which, by the late 1990s, had Elisabeth Murdoch, the son of top globalist Rupert Murdoch (rumored to have been built up by the CIA), on the board. Anderson left the board of Future PLC in 2001, at the time his Sapling Foundation bought the TED organization, amidst major financial upheaval.
  - ▶ In 2008 Anderson married Jacqueline Novogratz, whose biography reads: international credit analyst at the Rockefellers' Chase Manhattan Bank 1983-1986. Consultant for the World Bank and UNICEF involved in

microfinance in Africa. Founder and director of The Philanthropy Workshop and The Next Generation Leadership programs at the Rockefeller Foundation. trustee Aspen Institute. Member CFR. Appointed to the State Department's Foreign Affairs Policy Board by Hillary Clinton.

- ▶ April 29, 2016, Telegraph.co.uk, "I was losing \$1 million a day, every day for 18 months': Meet Chris Anderson, the man behind TED talks': *"He lives with his second wife, Jacqueline Novogratz – the chief executive of Acumen..."*
- ▶ aspeninstitute.org/our-people/jacqueline-novogratz/ (accessed: March 21, 2020): *"She was also appointed by Secretary Clinton to the Department of State's Foreign Affairs Policy Board."*
- ▶ philanthropyforum.org/people/jacqueline-novogratz/ (accessed: March 21, 2020): *"Jacqueline Novogratz is CEO of Acumen. Under her leadership, Acumen has invested \$88million in 82 companies delivering agricultural inputs, education, energy, health care, housing and water to the poor in Africa, Latin America and South Asia. ... Prior to Acumen, Novogratz founded and directed The Philanthropy Workshop and The Next Generation Leadership programs at The Rockefeller Foundation. She also co-founded Duterimbere, a micro-finance institution in Rwanda. She began her career in international banking with Chase Manhattan Bank. Jacqueline currently sits on the advisory boards of Sonen Capital and the Harvard Business School Social Enterprise Initiative. She serves on the Aspen Institute Board of Trustees and the board of IDEO.org, and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the World Economic Forum Global Agenda Council for Sustainable Development."*
- ▶ japansociety.org/content.cfm/jacqueline\_novogratz (accessed: March 21, 2020): *"[Jacqueline] is currently on the advisory boards of Stanford Graduate School of Business and Innovations Journal, published by MIT Press. She is an Aspen Institute Henry Crown Fellow and a Synergos Institute Senior Fellow, as well as a frequent speaker at international conferences, including the World Economic Forum, the Clinton Global Initiative and TED."*
- ▶ chartwellspeakers.com/speaker/jacqueline-novogratz/ (accessed: March 21, 2020): *"Jacqueline currently sits on the advisory boards of ... the*

*Stanford Institute for Innovation in Developing Economies (SEED)."*

► First conference speakers:

- **Stewart Brand** ('84, '06, '09, '10, '13): Member of Ken Kesey's psychedelic bus in the 1960s. Became a close friend of [Edge Foundation](#) founder John Brockman.
- **Nicholas Negroponte** ('84, '06, '08, '14): Founder of the MIT Media Lab, a premier high technology research think tank, in 1985 and the One Laptop per Child (OLPC) initiative in 2005. Co-founder of Wired magazine in 1992. Son of a Greek shipping magnate and the younger brother of major superclass member John Negroponte ([death squad supporter as ambassador to Honduras 1981-1985; deputy national security advisor 1987-1989; Bush's ambassador to Iraq 2004-2005; 1st Director of National Intelligence 2005-2007; deputy secretary of state 2007-2009; member OSS Society; etc.](#)) Another brother, Michael Negroponte, has produced a film series on the Vietnam War.
- **Benoit Mandelbrot**: Famous mathematician. His "Mandelbrot Set" and related "Julia Sets" could be found in Great Britain's Wiltshire countryside in the 1990s in some of the most famous crop circle designs - which actually were extremely complex psywar operations.
- **Steve Jobs**: Founder of Apple. Demonstrated his Apple computer at TED 1984. Laurance Rockefeller was an important start-up financier of Apple. Also, Steve Jobs' decision to found Apple was based on an LSD session and he soon became involved in the [Seva Foundation](#) of Larry Brilliant and [Harvard Psychedelic Project](#) and [Esalen Institute](#) veteran Ram Dass.
- **Mickey Schulhof**: Sony executive who introduced the compact disc (CD).

► February 1, 2000, Wired, 'The Wurmanizer': *"In 1984, at the first TED conference, Apple introduced the Macintosh, Nicholas Negroponte discussed his plans for the new Media Lab at MIT, mathematician Benoit Mandelbrot demonstrated how to do wonderful things with fractals, and Sony executive Mickey Schulhof gave away free samples of his company's new medium, the compact disc. Unfortunately, the room wasn't even halfway filled: It was still too soon. The technology people had their own conferences for new stuff, while media and entertainment people didn't understand why they were supposed to care. Wurman and his partners lost money, and the second TED wasn't held until 1990. But by 1992, when TED3 took place, the world had caught up. The hall was sold out for appearances by Bill Gates, Adobe cofounder John Warnock [and] John Sculley, Apple's CEO at the time. Jaron Lanier explained his experiences with virtual reality. MIT AI professor Marvin Minsky, entertainment technologist Bran Ferren ... also presented..."*

- ▶ [tedxvienna.at/blog/5-predictions-from-1984-by-nicholas-negroponte/](http://tedxvienna.at/blog/5-predictions-from-1984-by-nicholas-negroponte/): *"1984 was also the year the first TED conference was held in Monterey California where some great names of the digerati community like Nicholas Negroponte, Stewart Brand, Benoit Mandelbrot opened up a world where Technology, Design and Entertainment beautifully converged and set the grounds for some of the modern technology breakthroughs. What's more interesting is that when Steve Jobs firstly introduced the original Macintosh in 1984, Nicholas Negroponte, was already criticising the use of a mouse in favour of a refined user-computer interaction based on touch. Guess what? 25 years later that actually became Apple's mission statement. In his funny and precient TED Talk from 1984, Nicholas Negroponte, the founder of the tech-savvy and multimedia revolution driver MIT Lab and also known for his non-profit One Laptop per Child Association, was predicting technologies with an extraordinary accuracy we are now using on a daily basis and can barely imagine our lives without. "*
- ▶ The TED Talks or TED Conferences may sound like a grass roots effort which anybody with the proper expertise can be invited to. This is far from the truth, however. Unless one's area of expertise is something innocent as cooking or acting, one better develops the proper connections and certainly doesn't upset the status quo on science, religion, or politics. The TED Talks are extremely expensive to attend (annual membership fee is \$6,000 since 2007) and are closely tied to John Brockman's [Edge Foundation and its annual Billionaires Dinners](#).
- ▶ TED features many professional (and extremely manipulative) skeptics: Susan Blackmore ('08), Richard Dawkins ('02, '05), Daniel Dennett, Murray Gell-Mann ('07), Steven Pinker ('03, '05, '07, '12), James Randi ('07), Jon Ronson ('12, '15), Adam Savage ('11), Michael Shermer ('06, '10), Julia Sweeney ('06, '07, '10).
- ▶ There exists a lot of online controversy about the banned TED Talks of Graham Hancock and Rupert Sheldrake. However, both are [Coast to Coast AM](#)-affiliated con artists, with [Hancock being particularly easy to identify](#) as one.

### **TED Talks: Edge Foundation**

- ▶ The Edge Foundation is an outgrowth of John Brockman's The Reality Club, which was active from 1981 to 1996. Among the members were George Dyson and son Freeman Dyson, as well as Stewart Brand.
- ▶ Slogan of the Edge Foundation: *"To arrive at the edge of the world's knowledge, seek out the most complex and*

*sophisticated minds, put them in a room together, and have them ask each other the questions they are asking themselves."*

- ▶ The Edge Foundation's Billionaires' Dinners have been described as an annual "[TED ritual](#)." More on these dinners later.
- ▶ Founded in 1988 by John Brockman, the Edge Foundation is a literary agency focused on the promotion of sciences as genetics, physics, mathematics, psychology, evolutionary biology, philosophy and computer technology. Almost all of the 700 past and present Edge Foundation clients have been affiliated with major universities and promoted by major media outlets.
- ▶ The Edge Foundation also includes its fair share of professional rent-a-skeptics and atheists:
  - ▶ **Richard Dawkins:** Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist.
  - ▶ **Daniel Dennett:** Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist.
  - ▶ **Michael Shermer:** Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist.
  - ▶ **Seth Shostack:** Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist. Has appeared on [Coast to Coast AM](#).
  - ▶ **Freeman Dyson:** Four-decade [JASON Group](#) member.
  - ▶ **Murray Gell-Mann:** Two-decade [JASON Group](#) member. Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist.
  - ▶ **Steve Pinker:** Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist.
  - ▶ **Al Seckel:** Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist.
  - ▶ **Sam Harris:** Professional rent-a-skeptic and atheist. Primarily warns of the dangers of Islam culture.
  - ▶ **Rupert Sheldrake:** Rockefeller, [Esalen Institute](#) and [Coast to Coast AM](#)-linked paranormal researcher/disinformant. About the only "anti-skeptic" embraced by the Edge Foundation, apart from Dr. Dean Ornish and the ever-curious [Deepak Chopra](#).
  - ▶ **David Gelernter:** Not a professional skeptic, but interesting enough to be listed. Gelernter is an IT specialist at Yale. Unabomber victim in 1993.
- ▶ Annual Billionaires Dinner guests of past and present:
  - ▶ **John Brockman:** More later.
  - ▶ **Stewart Brand:** See [TED Talks](#).
  - ▶ **Freeman Dyson:** See above.
  - ▶ **George Dyson:** See above.
  - ▶ **Ray Kurzweil:** More later.
  - ▶ **Katinka Matson:** President Brockman, Inc.
  - ▶ **Richard Dawkins:** Professional rent-a-skeptic.
  - ▶ **Daniel Dennett** ('02, '06, '08, '09, '10): Professional rent-a-skeptic.
  - ▶ **Steve Case** ('99, '08, '09): AOL.
  - ▶ **Daniel Hillis** (almost annually since '99): Disney.
  - ▶ **Rupert Murdoch** ('02): Notorious Newscorp chief.
  - ▶ **Jeffrey Epstein** ('99, '00, '02, '04): Billionaire pedophile



and science benefactor.

- ▶ **Sergey Brin** ('02, '03, '05, '07, '08): Google.
- ▶ **Larry Page** ('03, '05, '07, '08, '09, '15): Google.
- ▶ **Lori Park** (regular in later years): Google.
- ▶ **Nathan Myhrvold** ('99, '00, '02, '08, '09): Microsoft.
- ▶ **Charles Simonyi** ('00, '02, '06, '10, '13): Microsoft.
- ▶ **Paul Allen** ('12, '14): Microsoft co-founder.
- ▶ **Jeff Bezos** (almost annually since '99): Amazon. Owner Washington Post. CIA contractor.
- ▶ **Christie Hefner** ('02): Playboy.
- ▶ **David Rockwell** ('02, '10): Rockwell Group.
- ▶ **Jeffrey Katzenberg** ('02): Dreamworks.
- ▶ **Bran Ferren** ('99, '00, '02): National security. Applied Minds.
- ▶ **Peter Schwartz** ('02, '05, '08): GBN.
- ▶ **Ronna Tanenbaum** (regular): Alexa. [MacArthur Foundation](#).
- ▶ **David Braunschvig** ('00): Lazard. Bear Stearns.
- ▶ **Martha Stewart** ('01): Famous socialite.
- ▶ **Pierre and Pam Omidyar** ('04, '08, '09): Ebay. [Omidyar Network](#) that supports NSA whistleblowers and the like.
- ▶ **Matt Groening** ('09, '10): The Simpsons. Visitor [Bohemian Grove](#).
- ▶ **Rupert Sheldrake** ('09 in London): Rockefeller, [Esalen Institute](#) and [Coast to Coast AM](#)-linked paranormal researcher/disinformer. Together with [fellow disinformer Graham Hancock](#) and the curious Deepak Chopra about the only one in the TED circuit allowed to promote alternative science/spirituality.
- ▶ **Deepak Chopra** ('02): Multimillionaire new age guru on the international advisory board of Edgar Mitchell's [Institute of Noetic Sciences \(IONS\)](#), together Maurice Strong. Has his own [Chopra Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Dr. Dean Ornish** ('10): New age guru who once aided Clinton with his heart problems. [Coast to Coast AM](#) guest.
- ▶ **Sam Harris** ('10): Professional rent-an-atheist and skeptic.
- ▶ **Larry Brilliant** ('10): Rockefeller friend and old psychedelic initiate through his [Seva Foundation](#).
- ▶ **Nicholas Negroponte** ('00, '02): Founder of MIT Media Lab and co-founder of Wired magazine and the TED conferences. Set up the One Laptop per Child, which he promoted with the aid of United Nations secretary general Kofi Annan in 2005.
- ▶ **Mark Zuckerberg** ('08): Founder of Facebook.
- ▶ **Dave Morin** ('10, '12, '13, '15): Co-founder of Facebook.
- ▶ **Jacqui Safra** ('09, '12, '13, '14): Chair Encyclopedia Britannica. Part of the notorious Edmond Safra family, tied to the [1001 Club](#).
- ▶ **Alain Elkann** ('12 Torino): Married the daughter of Gianni

Agnelli.

- ▶ **Ginevra Elkann** (host '12 Torino with the Italian Wired editor): Daughter of Alain Elkann and thus part of the Agnelli family.
- ▶ **Peter Gabriel** (regular in later years): Musician.
- ▶ **Salar Kamangar**: YouTube. Google.
- ▶ **Anne Wojcicki** (regular in later years): Co-founder DNA analysis firm 23andMe.
- ▶ **Marlies Carruth** ('15): Director [MacArthur Foundation](#) fellows program.

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- ▶ March 11, 2002, New York Magazine, 'This Media Life: My Dinner With Rupert': *"John Brockman's Billionaire's dinner, a TED ritual. ... We were, possibly for the last time, in Monterey, California, at TED, the twelfth annual symposium on technology, entertainment, and design... Kurt and I watched Pam move through the room, aware that she could as easily drop us; the bubble may have burst, but the impulse to network continued. She could trade up, we knew (for Deepak Chopra, possibly, or Jeff Bezos or Jeffrey Katzenberg or Yo-Yo Ma). ... It was not just that Murdoch was the biggest mogul at the conference. There was this other thing: Part of the TED mystique was having unlikely people in the mix (e.g., Naomi Judd; a few years ago, there was Courtney Love). Murdoch represented no small challenge to the liberal sensibility here (Richard Dawkins, the biologist, lectured the conference on the importance of atheism)... Matt Groening (The Simpsons are perhaps Fox's greatest single asset, but Groening was pretty grumpy about Fox) and Nicholas Negroponte (who was bending Rupert's ear about computer networking)."*
- ▶ March 26, 2004, Wired, 'Third Culture Schmoozing': *"Freeman Dyson \*and\* Jared Diamond, sharing the same room at the same space-time instant. How could their brains not explode from critical mass? Man, when pop-science literary agent John Brockman throws a dinner party, he really hauls out the ol' digerati glitterati. This goes beyond all known schmoozing. This is like some kind of virtual-intellectual conspiracy-in-restraint-of-trade. "Billionaire's Dinner." Includes Naomi Judd. Huh? Attendees: Pam Alexander, Alexander Ogilvy; Chris Anderson, TED; Chris Anderson, Wired; Jeff Bezos, amazon.com; Jackie Bezos, amazon.com; Adam Bly, Seed; Stewart Brand, Long Now Foundation; Sergey Brin, Google; Patti Brown, New York Times; Steve Case; Mihalyi Csikszentmihalyi, Claremont; Steffi Czerny, Burda Media; Susan Dawson, Sapling Foundation; Ariane De Bonvoisin; Dan Dubno, CBS News; Jeffrey*

Epstein, Epstein Assoc.; Nancy Etcoff, MIT; Daniel Gilbert, Harvard; Alan Guth, MIT; Katrina Heron; Kevin Kelly, Wired; Seth Lloyd, MIT; Pam Omidyar, [Omidyar Foundation](#); Pierre Omidyar, eBay ; Larry Page, Google; Steve Petranek, Discover; Ryan Phelan, DNA Direct; Tom Rielly, TED; Forrest Sawyer, MSNBC; Eric Schmidt, Google; Martin Seligman, UPenn; Megan Smith, Google; Paul Steinhardt, Princeton; Cyndi Stivers, Time Out New York ; Linda Stone; Steven Strogatz, Cornell; Leonard Susskind, Stanford; Kara Swisher, Wall Street Journal; Yossi Vardi, ICQ; Alisa Volkman, Nerve; Eva Wisten, Bon Magazine; Michael Wolff, Vanity Fair. *\*And what do they talk about over the canapes, these people? "We agreed that quantum internet searches are a few years off. I had spent the afternoon in Jeff Kimble's lab at Caltech... Sergey and Larry [of Google] and I noted that when it is up and running, the quantum internet should offer all sorts of wacky possibilities for quantum internet search. Searches could be made significantly more efficient..."*

- ▶ [edge.org/event/the-edge-billionaires-dinner-1999](#)(accessed: April 4, 2016): "Steve Case, AOL; Nathan Myhrvold, Microsoft ... Jeff & Mackenzie Bezos, Amazon.com ... Danny Hillis, Disney ... Curtis Wong, Microsoft Research ... Steve Riggio, Jeffrey Epstein ... Richard Saul Wurman, [founder] TED, John Brockman ... Bran Ferren ... Dan Adler, Disney ... Steve Riggio, Barnes & Noble ..."
- ▶ [edge.org/event/the-billionaires-dinner-2000](#) (accessed: April 4, 2016): "Linda Stone - Microsoft ... Brewster Kahle [of] Alexa, Bran Ferren ... Nathan Myhrvold - Microsoft, Jeffrey Epstein ... Nicholas Negroponte- MIT Media Lab, Ronna Tannenbaum - Alexa ... Stewart Brand - GBN ... Toby Coppel - Allen & Company ... George Dyson ... Jeff Berg ... Charles Simonyi - Microsoft ..."
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- ▶ [edge.org/event/the-edge-billionaires-dinner-2002](#) (accessed: April 4, 2016): "John Brockman, Steven Pinker, Daniel C. Dennett, Katinka Matson, Richard Dawkins. Flying to the TED Conference in Monterey California with science philanthropist Jeffrey Epstein. ... Rupert Murdoch ... Nathan Myhrvold; Jeff Bezos ... Bran Ferren ... Sergey Brin ... Christie Hefner, Playboy... Jeffrey Katzenberg,

*Dreamworks [with] John Brockman ... Stewart Brand ... George Dyson ... Nicholas Negroponte ..."*

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- ▶ [edge.org/event/the-edge-billionaires-dinner-2004](http://edge.org/event/the-edge-billionaires-dinner-2004) (accessed: April 4, 2016): *"The dinner, which for the past few years has been held during the annual TED Conference, always has a name attached to it. It began in 1984 as "The Millionaires' Dinner" (thanks to a page one article in The Wall Street Journal) in a Las Vegas Mexican restaurant during COMDEX Eventually it evolved to "The Digerati Dinner"; to "The World Domination, Corporate Cubism, and Alien Mind Control Dinner"; to "The Billionaires' Dinner". Last year we tried "The Science Dinner". Everyone yawned. So this year, it's back to the money-sex-power thing with "The Billionaires' Dinner". I realize that "Billionaire" is tired and very '90s, but the name worked for this year's dinner. It was a coincidence that during the dinner, Google cofounder Larry Page received a message on his pager informing him that he and cofounder Sergey Brin had made the ForbesMagazine list of 157 billionaires. ... And a number of people who showed up for the dinner are really cooking: Jeff Bezos of Amazon; Google's CEO Eric Schmidt, Larry, Sergey, Lori Park, and Megan Smith; Pierre Omidyar, founder of eBay; Dean Kamen, inventor of the Segway; Steve Case, former Chairman of AOL Time-Warner who is now on to new adventures; and Jeffrey Epstein, who recently endowed The Program for Evolutionary Dynamics at Harvard University which is involved in researching applications of mathematics and computer science to biology. They were mixing it up with the cosmologists Alan Guth (inflationary universe), Leonard Susskind (the landscape of universes), and Paul Steinhardt (the cyclic universe); the physicist Seth Lloyd (quantum computing); the applied mathematician Steve Strogatz (synchronicity in nature); and the psychologists Mike Csikszentmihalyi (flow), Nancy Etcoff (perception of faces), Martin Seligman (positive psychology), Dan Gilbert (mis-wanting), as well as a number of technology and media journalists. Also attending were Alisa Volkman of the literary-erotic website [nerve.com](http://nerve.com), book*

packager Ariane de Bonvoisin, and Swedish journalist Eva Wisten. They spent the dinner in rapt conversation with the three cosmologists. ... An interesting aspect of the dinner was that Seth Lloyd flew in from Tokyo (where he is spending a year) to join us. ... He has made the front pages of the world's newspapers several times; collaborates with Murray Gell-Mann; and is now Professor of Quantum-Mechanical Engineering at MIT. ... My idea was to use the platform of "The Billionaires' Dinner" and Seth's visit to announce "The Quantum Internet" but I became so caught up in the high energy of the occasion that I forgot all about it. ... I can recount my own conversation with Lenny Susskind, the father of string theory, who walked in wearing a new sports jacket. I looked at the jacket admiringly, and Lenny told me a story: "I'm going to Holland next week where I'll have an honorary professorship. Three weeks ago the host called me up and said 'please, get yourself a nice set of clothes, because you're going to meet the queen [Queen Beatrix of Orange]. ... Yes, the Queen. She wants to meet a physicist'"

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(accessed: April 4, 2016): "..."
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(accessed: April 4, 2016): "[In London, almost no one worth mentioning; mostly media people:] John Brockman ... Oliver Morton, Nature ... Richard Dawkins ... Max Brockman; David Deutsch ... Alok Jha, The Guardian..."
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(accessed: April 4, 2016): "Sergey Brin, Google; W. Daniel Hillis, Applied Minds... Matt Groening, "The Simpsons" ... Steven Pinker ... John Brockman, Edge; Stewart Brand, Long Now Foundation ... Murray Gell-Mann ... Larry Brilliant, Google.org ... Larry Page, Google ... Peter Gabriel ... Linda Stone, Larry Brilliant, Jeff Bezos, Gurija Brilliant... Paola Antonelli, MOMA; Katinka Madson, Edge..."
- ▶ [edge.org/event/the-edge-billionaires-dinner-2008](http://edge.org/event/the-edge-billionaires-dinner-2008)  
(accessed: April 4, 2016): "Katinka Matson, Edge; John Brockman, Edge. ... Richard Saul Wurman, Info ... Pierre Omidyar, Omidyar Network; Larry Page, Google ... Anne Wojcicki, 23andMe ; Sergey Brin, Google ... Jeff Bezos, Amazon ... Linda Avey, 23andMe ... Tony Fadell, iPod Division, Apple ... Dean Ornish, M.D., & Anne Ornish ... Matt Groening, The Simpsons ... Lori Park, Google ... Peter Schwartz, GBN ... Richard Saul Wurman, Info. Designer ... Tony Fadell, iPod Division, Apple ... Gurija Brilliant; Larry Brilliant, Google.org ... Aubrey De Grey, Cambridge; Daniel Dennett, Philosopher, Tufts ... Caterina Fake,

*Flickr; Linda Stone ; Phil Zimbardo, Psych., Stanford ... Evan Williams, Twitter ... Karen Wickre, Google; Salar Kamagar, Google ... Stan Wojcicki, Physicist, Stanford; Anne Wojcicki, 23andMe ... Nathan Myhrvold, Int.Ventures ... Keith Coleman, Google Gmail... Pierre Omidyar ... Pam Omidyar ... Daniel Dennett ... Mark Zuckerberg, Facebook..."*

## Cryptocurrency

Added out of personal interest. Less significant for now than other areas of this page.

### Bitcoin Foundation

- ▶ A first bizarre thing about Bitcoin in general, the very first cryptocurrency, launched in 2009, is that nobody knows who created it. The official founder is a Japanese person with the name Satoshi Nakamoto. The problem is, this person doesn't exist. It's a pseudonym. So somebody created a revolutionary new form of currency and no one knows who made it. A few investigations have been launched in who the real creator is, but these searches have been fruitless.
  - ▶ December 17, 2017, cryptotothemassess.com, 'Who is Satoshi Nakamoto? 10 Strange Facts and Disturbing Theories': "[Hal] Finney ... was the first person to use the actual software after Satoshi had created it, often filing bug reports and helping to refine the system. He was also the recipient of the first ever Bitcoin transaction.  
Could this be the digital currency behemoth equivalent of sending yourself that first text message when you get a new phone to make sure everything's working?  
More still: Finney lived very close to a man called 'Dorian' Nakamoto, whose birth name was in fact Satoshi. ... Unfortunately, Finney passed away in 2014 after a battle with ALS."
- ▶ The Bitcoin Foundation has received no known big foundation financing, but that shouldn't be necessary either with the lucrative cryptocurrency market. Mainly added here because cryptocurrency is associated with an anti-banker activism, with the Bitcoin Foundation having both elite ties and a degree of controversy. As with much of the cryptocurrency landscape, it revolves around "liberal CIA"-type anti-establishment "let's make the world a better place" activism.
- ▶ Brock Pierce was elected to the board of the Bitcoin Foundation in May 2014 and became chairman in April 2015. Already by that time he was accused of being a Hollywood child abuser. From at least 2006 Pierce was a participant in the [Clinton Global Initiative](#), where people like Bill Gates,

Pierre Omidyar, George Soros, Warren Buffett and the leadership of the Rockefeller Foundation and Ford Foundation could regularly be found - sometimes every year. He also was involved with exposed Trilateral Commission pedophile Jeffrey Epstein. As of November 2017, Pierce still is chairman of the Bitcoin Foundation.

- ▶ [bitcoinfoundation.org/about/board-of-directors/](https://bitcoinfoundation.org/about/board-of-directors/) (accessed: November 3, 2017): *"LLEW CLAASEN, Executive director... advisor and mentor in acceleration and corporate innovation programs for 2 Pan-African banks... Chief Marketing Officer (CMO) Council Advisory Board for Africa.*  
*BROCK PIERCE, Chairman... Founder and Managing Partner of Blockchain Capital. ... Pierce is also a founder, advisor, or board member of ... BitGo... Pierce is a BitAngels city leader and runs a top AngelList Syndicate.*  
...
- ▶ *BRUCE FENTON... worked for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter...*  
*VINNY LINGHAM ... co-founder of SiliconCape.com, an NGO based in South Africa that serves to turn Cape Town into a technology hub. He was chosen as a Young Global Leader Honoree 2009 by the World Economic Forum..."*
- ▶ June 26, 2014, BuzzFeed, 'Found: The Elusive Man At The Heart Of The Hollywood Sex Abuse Scandal'.
- ▶ [jeffreyepsteinscience.com/2010/11/jeffrey-epstein-to-host-mindshift-conference/](https://jeffreyepsteinscience.com/2010/11/jeffrey-epstein-to-host-mindshift-conference/) (accessed: November 10, 2010): *"Jeffrey Epstein and Al Seckel have assembled a diverse and eclectic intimate group of exceptional thinkers and achievers to discuss various topics, among others, relating to: Artificial Intelligence ... Theoretical Physics ... Evolutionary Biology ... Cognitive Neuroscience ... Confirmed Attendees are: ... Murray Gell-Mann ... Brock Pierce...*  
*The Mindshift Conference will take place in early January on the Island of Saint Thomas and at Jeffrey Epstein's private island in the Caribbean, Little Saint James."*
- ▶ [clintonfoundation.org/clinton-global-initiative/commitments/lifetime-carbon-neutrality-commitment](https://clintonfoundation.org/clinton-global-initiative/commitments/lifetime-carbon-neutrality-commitment) (accessed: August 24, 2018): *"Commitment: Lifetime Carbon Neutrality Commitment. ... Commitment by: Brock Pierce ... Launched: 2006."*
- ▶ December 4, 2008, Wired, 'A Drive Through Laurel Canyon With Brock Pierce': *"He was doing philanthropic work with the Clinton Global Initiative."*



- ▶ Vincent Briatore founded and ran TheAllegiant.com (comic sketch of his face in the right-top of his old site) in the 2013-2014 period.
- ▶ In May 2017 he opened one of the first significant YouTube channels advising people on which cryptocurrencies to buy, much of them rather obscure and speculative. For some time before that he ran EThevangelist.com, probably set up in early 2017 when ("liberal CIA"-connected) Ethereum began to boom. I love the guy - he's hilarious - but had to put this information somewhere when he mentioned The Allegiant in one of his videos and making several hundred thousand dollars in the effort.
- ▶ TheAllegiant.com is a rather unusual "liberal CIA" site (I'm also not aware of any direct major foundation funding) in the sense that it didn't push [extremist feminism](#), something that became huge during the run-up of the Hillary Clinton vs Donald Trump campaign and has been with us since. Tellingly, the Allegiant contained an Alpha Male section and Briatore's more senior co-founder, Michael Caldwell, also ran the website alphamaledaily.com.
  - ▶ [theallegiant.com/author/profmccaldwell/](http://theallegiant.com/author/profmccaldwell/) (June 28, 2014): *"Michael Caldwell is an American Author, Philanthropist, and retired Attorney from Boston, Massachusetts. The founding member of The Allegiant, Michael, has spent his life and career fighting for equality and social justice in the United States. He is a graduate of Penn State University and Yale Law as well as a U.S Navy Veteran, a movie buff, and a travel enthusiast."*
  - ▶ [linkedin.com/in/vincent-briatore-14a65aa9/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/vincent-briatore-14a65aa9/) (accessed: November 7, 2017): *"Penn State University: ... 2006 – 2011. ... May 2013 - ... founder and CEO of Imperative Media Group. The company represents various projects and .com's specializing in mass communication, and media."*
- ▶ As usual, The Allegiant was deep into [anti-"Islamophobia" propaganda](#) and helped discredit conspiracy theory by only giving attention to extreme nutcases, such as the [CIA-linked Alex Jones](#), and demanding worship of "patriotic" soldiers and the like:
  - ▶ September 25 2013, theAllegiant, 'Fox News – Hosts of "The Five" Rant About Muslims': *"Hosts of "The Five" rant*



*about Muslims on Fox News Fox News is at it again with the anti-Muslim hate speech and this time they are using it to strike fear into the hearts of Americans."*

- ▶ January 12, 2013, TheAllegiant, 'Who Is Alex Jones? And Why Should I Care About Him?': *"There's nothing like a national tragedy to bring out what best and worst in a society. Recently, far right-wing radio talk show jock and conspiracy-theorist extraordinaire Alex Jones appeared on CNN's "Piers Morgan Tonight" talk show..."*
- ▶ April 20, 2013, theAllegiant, 'Conspiracy Theory': *"There are already people re-posting these ridiculous claims such as, "Navy Seals were actually the ones who planted the bombs in Boston." This is a real accusation that some might have already seen floating around in cyberspace and it is utterly disgusting. [for a real Boston Bombing discussion, go here] ... I served in the Active Army for Operation Enduring Freedom, deploying to Baghdad during the surge. This is the analogy that I want people to think about: someone creating a page on the internet with theories that one of my fellow brothers in arms was not actually dead, that it was all a cover up for some larger conspiracy for the United States government. This is what people are actually doing after tragic events like Boston and Newtown and it needs to stop. Just think if this was your family member who was brutally attacked at some charity benefit or your child at school, put yourself in that situation and if you cannot see that this type of tin foil accusation is outrageous, then I seriously suggest getting yourself check[ed] out by a doctor. ... The only parties responsible are the terrorists who actually detonated the explosives and to suggest otherwise is lunacy."*
- ▶ theallegiant.com (accessed: May 19, 2014): *"ACLU ... United Way ... the Sustainability Consortium ... Greenpeace ... Planned Parenthood ... WWF ... Amnesty International... Designed by Progressive News..."*

### **Digital Currency Group / CoinDesk.com**

- ▶ The Digital Currency Group owns Coindesk.com since January 2016. It also has stakes in Kraken and countless other cryptocurrency interests.
  - ▶ dcg.co/portfolio/ (accessed: November 7, 2017): *"Bitmark ... Bitpay ... Blockchain ... Blockstream ... Coinbase ... Coindesk ... Kraken ... Ripple ... Shapeshift ... zCash..."*
  - ▶ coindesk.com/about/: *"Founded in May 2013, CoinDesk reaches over 5 million unique visitors who come back 16 million times a month. ... January 2016: CoinDesk*

*Acquired by Digital Currency Group."*

- ▶ To elite to be termed "liberal CIA", but still listed because cryptocurrency, and Bitcoin in particular, is associated with a rebel anti-bankers cause. By May 2016 the DCG board of directors and advisory board includes liberal Eastern Establishment elites with ties to David Rockefeller and George Soros, with Mastercard being an investor. Digital Currency Group boards:
  - ▶ May 5, 2016, FinanceMagnates.com, 'Larry Summers Joins Digital Currency Group as it Adds New Partners'.
  - ▶ [dcg.co/who-we-are/](http://dcg.co/who-we-are/) (accessed: November 6, 2017):  
*"Board Members:*
    - *Barry Silbert: Founder and CEO, DCG...*
    - *Glenn Hutchins ... serves on the board of AT&T, Nasdaq, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Brookings Institution, the Economic Club of New York and the [Hillary Clinton, John Podesta, George Soros and Lynn Forester de Rothschild-backed] Center for American Progress. ... Previously, he was a special advisor to President Clinton [1992-1994, after which he became senior managing director of the super-elite, AIG and Carlyle Group-allied Blackstone Group of Peter Peterson, the leaseholder of WTC 7]"**Board Advisors:*
    - *Lawrence H. Summers [see ISGP's Superclass Index] ... [board member or member Federal Reserve, Brookings Institution, CFR, Bilderberg, Trilateral Commission, Bohemian Grove, Americas Society, Peter Peterson Institute for International Economics (with David Rockefeller, Lynn Forester de Rothschild, George Shultz, Henry Kissinger, etc.)]"*
- ▶ The Digital Currency Group organized the May 2017 Bitcoin conference that led the New York Agreement in which cryptocurrency businesses cooperated with Bitcoin miners to force through Bitcoin's Segwit2x fork for November 16, putting aside the Bitcoin core development team (allied in Blockstream, in which DCG already is an investor) and possibly already a bit of a self-serving clique by themselves) and as public opinion. If Segwit2x had been implemented, a new team backed by DCG and allies would have taken over Bitcoin development. However, at the last moment, Segwit2x was canceled. It wasn't clear why corporations and miners weren't waiting for Blockstream's Liquid sidechain, to be released in 2018, that should deal with Bitcoin's capacity issues.
  - ▶ May 17, 2017 Twitter tweet by DCD founder Barry Silbert:  
*"I agree to immediately support the activation of Segregated Witness and commit to effectuate a block size increase to 2MB within 12 months."*
  - ▶ October 6, 2017, Coindesk.com, 'Calm Before the Fork? Segwit2x Goes Silent as Bitcoin Split Looms': *"Disclosure: CoinDesk is a subsidiary of Digital Currency Group,*

*which helped organize the Segwit2x proposal and has ownership stake in Blockchain [with Richard Branson], OBI, which develops OpenBazaar, and RSK Labs."*

- ▶ Mike Belshe, a former lead Hewlett Packard and Google programmer who founded BitGo (infrastructure provider to Kraken, etc. and invested in by DCG) in 2013, with help from Jeff Garzik, an early Bitcoin pioneer who released his Metronome coin in 2017, has been a key developer of Segwit2x.
- ▶ June 2, 2017, Coindesk.com, 'Bitcoin's 'Segwit2x' Scaling Proposal: Miners Offer Optimistic Outlook': *"Currently, development is being overseen by bitcoin security startup BitGo, with help from other developers including Bloq co-founder Jeff Garzik."*

## Ethereum

- ▶ Ethereum is the first decentralized block chain to include smart contract technology apart from a decentralized payment system as Bitcoin. Announced in January 2014, with an initial coin offering of about 30 cents (based on the Bitcoin price at the time) in June 2014, Ethereum started to explode in March 2017 (one month after an announcement from big banks that they were getting involved) and grew to a maximum worth of \$415 on June 12, 2017, an increase of 1383 times.
- ▶ Generally seen as "grassroots" and anti-banker, in June 2014 Ethereum founder Vitalik Buterin received a two-year, \$100,000 grant from Bilderberg steering committee member Peter Thiel, who can be linked on a number of occasions to "liberal CIA"-type activism backing.
  - ▶ June 6, 2014, Cointelegraph.com, 'Ethereum Founder Awarded \$100K Thiel Fellowship': *"Buterin, from Toronto, is currently working full-time on developing the Ethereum project, will receive US\$100,000 over the next two years as a fellow."*
- ▶ There's nothing too unusual about Buterin. He was a programming and Bitcoin enthusiast who was recruited in early September 2011 to help set up Bitcoin Magazine.
- ▶ In late 2015 a conference on Ethereum was attended by about 300 people, including Microsoft and Ethereum founder Buterin. By that time UBS was developing a blockchain app based on Ethereum. In February 2017 it was announced that Ethereum is supported by the Enterprise Ethereum Alliance (EEA) involving JPMorgan, Intel, Microsoft, IBM, BP, Credit Suisse, UBS, ING, Bank of NY-Mellon, etc. One wonders to what extent the connections of Peter Thiel had anything to do with the widespread support for Ethereum. And how many

already elite-tied individuals it has made millionaires.

- ▶ January 10, 2014, YouTube upload by "Bitcorati, Inc.", 'Bitcorati Interview Series : Vitalik Buterin - Head Writer, Bitcoin Magazine': *"You do not have to have a relationship with a bank ... you do not have to prove to anyone that you are legitimate. Bitcoin is like the ultimate currency of going out and doing it."*

## IOTA

- ▶ Very well-known altcoin launched in 2016, but not publicly traded until mid 2017. In theory IOTA is a Bitcoin killer due to its infinite scalability without the need for centralized miners who calculate the transactions and charge fees for this. However, development has been slow, only one cryptocurrency exchange supports it, and its founder David Sonstebo has refused to do interviews (even when invited) to take away worries that IOTA really is safe. Sonstebo also doesn't shy away from using words as "fu\*ck" and "sh\*t" in media statements.
- ▶ Long-standing rumors exist that the IOTA Foundation is backed by [Microsoft](#), although nothing has been confirmed as of November 2017.
- ▶ Before anything really substantial was released in terms of partnerships or even a working wallet, Sonstebo thought it was "great" news that IOTA was giving away its money as a "platform partner" / co-sponsor of the Hack4Climate conference in Bonn, Germany at the United Nations Campus in November 2017. Hack4Climate, founded by the Climate Ledger Initiative (supported by the Swiss and Liechtenstein governments), was part of the United Nations' Climate Change Conference COP23 in Bonn. Microsoft, the MIT Media Lab of [Nicholas Negroponte](#) and [Timothy Leary](#) godson [Joi Ito](#), and the Soros-linked CIGI group all were involved.
  - ▶ [hack4climate.org/#partners](http://hack4climate.org/#partners) (accessed: November 28, 2018): *"Hack4Climate partners: ... United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change ... COP 23 ... Volkswagen ... Centre for International Governance Innovation [CIGI]. Microsoft. ... MIT Media Lab... Platform Partners: IOTA. Supporting and Organizing Partners: Deutsche Telekom ... Climate Ledger Initiative ... Rocky Mountain Institute ... BigChainDB ... Energy Blockchain Labs... Meet the team: ... Massamba Thioye [and] Alexandre Gellert Paris, UN representative... Michael Casey, MIT Media Lab, Digital Currency Initiative... Dominik Schiener, IOTA Foundation... Fabian Vogelsteller, Ethereum and MIST [browser] developer [in charge]..."*

- **Update, December 2017:** As expected, behind-the-scenes there has been massive support for IOTA by Trilateral Commission and Bilderberg companies as Microsoft and Bosch, as well as think tanks as the George Soros-dominated [Institute for New Economic Thinking \(INET\)](#) - [Centre for International Governance Innovation \(CIGI\)](#) partnership. Julie Maupin, a senior fellow of CIGI, advised the IOTA Foundation's registration process and served as a behind-the-scenes advisor since at least mid 2017. Maupin also conducted an interview with [Ethereum](#) founder Vitalik Buterin, published in early January 2018.
  - July 17, 2017, David Sonstebo for [blog.iota.com](#), 'Welcome Julie Maupin to IOTA': *"She has been assisting us behind the scenes for some time now, particularly the IOTA Foundation registration process..."*
  - November 28, 2017, Forbes, 'IOTA Foundation Launches Data Marketplace For 'Internet-Of-Things' Industry': *"The new [IOTA] initiative has gathered participation from more than 20 global organizations, including corporations such as Deutsche Telekom, Bosch, Microsoft, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Accenture and Fujitsu, as well as research groups from universities around the world."*
  - [iotasupport.com/foundation.shtml](#) (accessed: January 8, 2018): *"The Foundation [listed persons not given a function here]: ... David Sonstebo. Sergey Ivancheglo [Come\_From\_Beyond]. Dominik Schiener. John Halamka [Harvard]. Per Lind [has represented IBM and other companies]. Carsten Stocker [formerly German Aerospace Center; member of the Future Council Network on Blockchain, World Economic Forum]. ... Navin Ramachandran [radiology consultant at University College London Hospital] ... Jochen Renz ... Wilfried Pimenta de Miranda [INSEAD graduate; oil & gas sector] ... Alexander Renz [Bosch, SAP and Microsoft background] ... Julie Maupin [senior fellow Soros-linked CIGI] ... Oliver Bussmann [at Deutsche Bank and IBM; CIO for North America & Mexico at Allianz; global CIO of SAP; group CIO of UBS 2013-2016;] ... John Mattison [founding board member of the Kaiser Permanente Innovation Board]..."*

## Ameer Rosic

- A fitness to proper nutrition to "how to become successful in business" YouTuber from January 2012 to November 2016. Contributor to "liberal CIA" outlet [Huffington Post](#) on cryptocurrencies since November 2016. His first article here dates back to November 23, 2016. His first YouTube video cryptocurrency dates to November 26, 2016, but starting from December he started to focus almost exclusively on

cryptocurrency. Even by mid 2017 Rosic was one of maybe half dozen - or maybe, just maybe a dozen - systematic and informative YouTubers on cryptocurrency.

## Individuals

### Saul Alinsky

- ▶ Jewish. Born in South-Side Chicago, in one of the worst slums. Ended up becoming America's leading "community organizer", although had to rely on FDR, Marshall Field III (CFR; Pilgrims) and later the Rockefeller Foundation and other supporters to accomplish anything.

- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky: a candid conversation with the feisty radical organizer': *"A lot of Jews were active in the new socialist movement at that time, but not my parents. They were strict Orthodox; their whole life revolved around work and synagogue. And their attitude was completely parochial. I remember as a kid being told how important it was to study, and the worst threat they could think of was that if I didn't do well at Yeshiva, I'd grow up with a "goyischer kop"-- with a gentile brain. When I got into high school, I remember how surprised I was to find all those gentile kids who were so smart; I'd been taught that gentiles were practically Mongoloids. And that kind of chauvinism is just as unhealthy as antisemitism. ...*

*Not personally [I experienced racism], but I was aware of it. It was all around us in those days [in Chicago]. But it was so pervasive you didn't really even think about it; you just accepted it as a fact of life. The worst hostility was from the Poles, and back in 1918 and 1919, when I was growing up, it amounted to a regular war. We had territorial boundaries between our neighborhoods, and if a Jewish girl strayed' across the border, she'd be raped right on the street.*

*Every once in a while, it would explode into full-scale rioting, and I remember when hundreds of Poles would come storming into our neighborhood and we'd get up on the roofs with piles of bricks and pans of boiling water and slingshots, just like a medieval siege. I had an air rifle myself. There'd be a bloody battle for blocks around and some people on both sides had real guns, so sometimes there'd be fatalities. ...*

*Finally the cops would come on horses and in their clanging paddy wagons and break it up. They were all Irish and they hated both sides, so they'd crack Polish and Jewish heads equally. The melting pot in action.*

*You don't have that hostility in action anymore; now Italians, Poles, Jews and Irish have all joined up and buried the hatchet--in the blacks. But in those days, every ethnic group was at each other's throat.*

*I remember once, I must have been ten or eleven, one of my friends was beaten up by poles, so a bunch of us crossed over into Polish turf and we were beating the shit out of some Polish kids when the cops pulled us in. They took us to the station house and told our mothers [and a rabbi managed to change his ways]...*

*The Back of the Yards [not where I was located, but in the neighborhood] was the nadir of all slums in America. People were crushed and demoralized, either jobless or getting starvation wages, diseased, living in filthy, rotting unheated shanties, with barely enough food and clothing to keep alive. And it was a cesspool of hate; the Poles, Slovaks, Germans, Negroes, Mexicans and Lithuanians all hated each other and all of them hated the Irish, who returned the sentiment in spades.*

*Native fascist groups like the German American Bund, Father Coughlin's National Union for Social Justice and William Dudley Pelley's Silver Shirts were moving in to exploit the discontent, and making lots of converts. It wasn't because the people had any real sympathy for fascism; it was just that they were so desperate they'd grab on to anything that offered them a glimmer of hope, and Coughlin and Pelley gave them handy scapegoats in the Jews and the "international bankers." But I knew that once they were provided with a real, positive program to change their miserable conditions, they wouldn't need scapegoats anymore."*

- ▶ Entered the (Rockefeller-founded) University of Chicago in 1926, earning a degree in archaeology in 1930. The Great Depression forced him into a different direction. After two years of graduate studies in criminology, he dropped out of the University of Chicago.

- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky: a candid conversation with the feisty radical organizer': *"As an undergraduate, I took a lot of courses in sociology, and I was astounded by all the horse manure they were handing out about poverty and slums, playing down the suffering and deprivation, glossing over the misery and despair. I mean, Christ, I'd lived in a slum, I could see through all their complacent academic jargon to the realities. It was at that time that I developed a deep suspicion of academicians in general and sociologists in particular, with a few notable exceptions.*

*It was Jimmy Farrell who said at the time that the University of Chicago's sociology department was an*

*institution that invests \$100,000 on a research program to discover the location of brothels that any taxi driver could tell them about for nothing. So I realized how far removed the self-styled social sciences are from the realities of everyday existence, which is particularly unfortunate today, because that tribe of head-counters has an inordinate influence on our so-called antipoverty program. Asking a sociologist to solve a problem is like prescribing an enema for diarrhea. ...*

*I could have gotten some help from a relief project [during the Great Depression], but it's funny. I just couldn't do it. I've always been that way: I'd rob a bank before I accepted charity. ... remember sitting in a crummy cafeteria one day and saying to myself: "Here I am, a smart son of a bitch, I graduated cum laude and all that shit, but I can't make a living, I can't even feed myself. What happens now?" [Explains how he put up a local scam to eat for free, although, granted, they were all extremely hungry.]*

*Crime? That wasn't crime — it was survival — But my Robin Hood days were short-lived; logically enough, I was awarded the graduate Social Science Fellowship in criminology, the top one in that field, which took care of my tuition and room and board — I still don't know why they gave it to me — maybe because I hadn't taken a criminology course in my life and didn't know one goddamn thing about the subject — But this was the Depression and I felt like someone had tossed me a life preserver — Hell, if it had been in shirt cleaning, I would have taken it. Anyway, I found out that criminology was just as removed from actual crime and criminals as sociology was from society, so I decided to make my doctoral dissertation a study of the Al Capone mob — an inside study."*

- As a criminology student, Alinsky was basically groomed by the Chicago Outfit mafia of Al Capone and Frank Nitti as a "nonparticipant observer", this over the 1931-1932 period. Capone was suffering from gonorrhoea and syphilis - the latter ravaging his brain - and walked around with a perforated nasal septum due to a cocaine addiction. He was in- and out of jail all the time and was sentenced to 11 years in federal prison in October 1931. That same year Nitti was given an 18-month prison sentence, also for tax evasion, but out again on March 25, 1932. On December 19, 1932 Nitti survived an assassination attempt by police officer (shot 3 times in the back and the neck), who had been paid \$15,000 by newly elected Chicago Mayor Anton Cermak, who preferred to deal with gangsters who answered to him, unlike the Chicago Outfit. Bizarrely, Cermak was mortally wounded two months



later, on February 15, 1933, in an assassination attempt on FDR by an anti-capitalist Italian immigrant. Nitti expanded the Chicago into labor unions. Also members of Alinsky's 42 Mob got involved in that, as did Alinsky himself.

- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky': *"I decided to make my doctoral dissertation a study of the Al Capone mob — an inside study. ...*

*Well, my reception was pretty chilly at first — I went over to the old Lexington Hotel, which was the gang's headquarters, and I hung around the lobby and the restaurant. I'd spot one of the mobsters whose picture I'd seen in the papers and go up to him and say, "I'm Saul Alinsky, I'm studying criminology, do you mind if I hang around with you?" And he'd look me over and say, "Get lost, punk." This happened again and again, and I began to feel I'd never get anywhere. Then one night I was sitting in the restaurant and at the next table was Big Ed Stash, a professional assassin who was the Capone mob's top executioner. He was drinking with a bunch of his pals and he was saying, "Hey, you guys, did I ever tell you about the time I picked up that redhead in Detroit?" and he was cut off by a chorus of moans. "My God," one guy said, "do we have to hear that one again?" I saw Big Ed's face fall; mobsters are very sensitive, you know, very thin-skinned. And I reached over and plucked his sleeve. "Mr. Stash," I said, "I'd love to hear that story." His face lit up. "You would, kid?" He slapped me on the shoulder. "Here, pull up a chair. Now, this broad, see . . ." And that's how it started.*

*Big Ed had an attentive audience and we became buddies. He introduced me to Frank Nitti, known as the Enforcer, Capone's number-two man, and actually in de facto control of the mob because of Al's income-tax rap. Nitti took me under his wing. I called him the Professor and I became his student. Nitti's boys took me everywhere, showed me all the mob's operations, from gin mills and whorehouses and bookie joints to the legitimate businesses they were beginning to take over. Within a few months, I got to know the workings of the Capone mob inside out.*

*Why not? What harm could I do them? Even if I told what I'd learned, nobody would listen. They had Chicago tied up tight as a drum; they owned the city, from the cop on the beat right up to the mayor. Forget all that Eliot Ness shit; the only real opposition to the mob came from other gangsters, like Bugs Moran or Roger Touhy. The Federal Government could try to nail 'em on an occasional income tax rap, but inside Chicago they couldn't touch their power. Capone was the establishment. When one of*

*his boys got knocked off, there wasn't any city court in session, because most of the judges were at the funeral and some of them were pallbearers. So they sure as hell weren't afraid of some college kid they'd adopted as a mascot causing them any trouble. They never bothered to hide anything from me; I was their one-man student body and they were anxious to teach me. It probably appealed to their egos.*

*Once, when I was looking over their records, I noticed an item listing a \$7500 payment for an out-of-town killer. I called Nitti over and I said, "Look, Mr. Nitti, I don't understand this. You've got at least 20 killers on your payroll. Why waste that much money to bring somebody in from St. Louis?" Frank was really shocked at my ignorance. "Look, kid," he said patiently, "sometimes our guys might know the guy they're hitting, they may have been to his house for dinner, taken his kids to the ball game, been the best man at his wedding, gotten drunk together. But you call in a guy from out of town, all you've got to do is tell him, 'Look, there's this guy in a dark coat on State and Randolph; our boy in the car will point him out; just go up and give him three in the belly and fade into the crowd.' So that's a job and he's a professional, he does it. But one of our boys goes up, the guy turns to face him and it's a friend, right away he knows that when he pulls that trigger there's gonna be a widow, kids without a father, funerals, weeping — Christ, it'd be murder." I think Frank was a little disappointed by my even questioning the practice; he must have thought I was a bit callous.*

*None at all, since there was nothing I could do to stop them from murdering, practically all of which was done inside the family. I was a nonparticipating observer in their professional activities, although I joined their social life of food, drink and women: Boy, I sure participated in that side of things — it was heaven. And let me tell you something, I learned a hell of a lot about the uses and abuses of power from the mob, lessons that stood me in good stead later on, when I was organizing. Another thing you've got to remember about Capone is that he didn't spring out of a vacuum. The Capone gang was actually a public utility; it supplied what the people wanted and demanded. The man in the street wanted girls: Capone gave him girls. He wanted booze during Prohibition: Capone gave him booze. He wanted to bet on a horse: Capone let him bet. It all operated according to the old laws of supply and demand, and if there weren't people who wanted the services provided by the gangsters, the gangsters wouldn't be in business. Everybody owned*

*stock in the Capone mob; in a way, he was a public benefactor. I remember one time when he arrived at his box seat in Dyche Stadium for a Northwestern football game on Boy Scout Day and 8000 scouts got up in the stands and screamed in cadence, "Yea, yea, Big Al. Yea, yea, Big Al." Capone didn't create the corruption, he just grew fat on it, as did the political parties, the police and the overall municipal economy. ...*

*About two years [I was in the Capone mob]. After I got to know about the outfit, I grew bored and decided to move on — which is a recurring pattern in my life, by the way. I was just as bored with graduate school, so I dropped out and took a job with the Illinois State Division of Criminology, working with juvenile delinquents. This led me into another field project, investigating a gang of Italian kids who called themselves the 42 Mob [whose trust I eventually gained through deception]."*

- ▶ In addition he worked at the Illinois State Division of Criminology, working with juvenile delinquents; and at the Joliet State Penitentiary. Every time he questioned the cause of crime or preventative measures, he was labeled a "Red". He quit this system in 1938.
  - ▶ From the mid 1930s until 1939 Alinsky also was involved in the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO) labor union, where he became a close friend and aide to John L. Lewis, the CIO's first president and a close ally of FDR in the New Deal program. The CIO harshly competed with the AFL while scoring countless victories against major U.S. industries in raising wages and working conditions. Alinsky leaving in 1939 was a year before Lewis was forced to step down from the CIO, this after opposing FDR, whom 85% of CIO members supported (and also due to increased criticism on his rhetoric).
    - ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky: a candid conversation with the feisty radical organizer': *"I knew plenty of Communists in those days, and I worked with them on a number of projects. Back in the Thirties, the Communists did a hell of a lot of good work... Anybody who tells you he was active in progressive causes in those days and never worked with the Reds is a goddamn liar. ...*
- I was also sympathetic to Russia in those days, not because I admired Stalin or the Soviet system but because it seemed to be the only country willing to stand up to Hitler. I was in charge of a big part of fund raising for the International Brigade and in that capacity I worked in close alliance with the Communist Party. ...*
- [I was] fighting fascism at home and abroad and doing something to improve the life of the masses of people*

*who were without jobs, food or hope. I'd spend all my free time raising funds for the International Brigade in the Spanish Civil War [military units set up by the Communist International] and for Southern sharecroppers, organizing for the Newspaper Guild and other fledgling unions, fighting the eviction of slum tenants who couldn't pay their rent, agitating for public housing, when it was still considered a subversive concept. This was the time I began to work alongside the C.I.O. ...*

*Those were exciting days to be alive in [the 1930s]. And goddamn violent days, too. ... At one time, you had thousands of American veterans encamped along the Anacostia petitioning the Government for a subsistence bonus until they were driven out at bayonet point by the Army, led by "I shall return" [General Douglas] MacArthur.*

*Negroes were being lynched regularly in the South as the first stirrings of black opposition began to be felt, and many of the white civil rights organizers and labor agitators who had started to work with them were tarred, feathered, castrated — or killed. Most Southern politicians were members of the Ku Klux Klan and had no compunction about boasting of it.*

*The giant corporations were unbelievably arrogant and oppressive and would go to any lengths to protect their freedom — the freedom to exploit and the freedom to crush any obstacle blocking the golden road to mammon. Not one American corporation — oil, steel, auto, rubber, meat packing — would allow its workers to organize; labor unions were branded subversive and communistic and any worker who didn't toe the line was summarily fired and then blacklisted throughout the industry. When they defied their bosses, they were beaten up or murdered by company strikebreakers or gunned down by the police of corrupt big-city bosses allied with the corporations, like in the infamous Memorial Day Massacre in Chicago when dozens of peaceful pickets were shot in the back.*

*Those who kept their jobs were hired and fired with complete indifference, and they worked as dehumanized servomechanisms of the assembly line. There were no pensions, no unemployment insurance, no Social Security, no Medicare, nothing to provide even minimal security for the worker. When radicals fought back against these conditions by word or deed, they were hounded and persecuted by city police and by the FBI under J. Edgar Hoover, who back in those days was already paranoid...*

*Nobody talked about pollution then; yet the workers in coal and steel towns were shrouded in a perpetual pall of soot and black dust, while in cities like Chicago, people in the meatpacking areas grew up amid a stench so overpowering that if they ever ventured out into the country, the fresh air made them sick. Yeah, those were the good old days, all right. Shit, the country was far more polarized and bitter then than it is today."*

► Late 1930s actions (mediated between CIO president John L. Lewis and FDR):

► March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky': *"I stuck to my job with the Institute for Juvenile Research as long as I could [until 1938], doing as little as I could, while I grew more and more active in the movement. But unlike most of the people I was working with, I still had my feet in both camps, and if things ever got too hot, I always had a cushy job I could lean back on, which began to bother me. Also, it was bugging me that suddenly people were calling me an expert in criminology, newspapers were describing me as the top man in my field and I was being asked to speak at all these chicken-shit conferences and write papers and all that crap. It just shows the crummy state of criminology; anybody who has even a flickering shadow of intelligence automatically becomes a national authority.*

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*I still had the problem of making a living [with my activism]... What shit. It took me a while to realize that the only difference between being in a professional field and in business was the difference between a five-buck whore and a \$100 callgirl [there's no freedom in either]. ... The crunch came when I was offered a job as head of probation and parole for Philadelphia at a salary of \$8000 a year, with the added bonus of a visiting lectureship at the University of Pennsylvania for \$2400 a year and a weekly column in the Philadelphia Evening Public Ledger on how to keep your kiddies on the straight and narrow. Remember, \$10,400 then was equal to \$30,400 now [in 1972; \$194,000 in 2020]. So this was the turning point for me. I could picture myself in a nice house in the suburbs, just two hours from New York... [But I would be] imprisoned by your own so-called freedoms. I've seen too many lean and hungry labor leaders of the Thirties grow fat-bellied and fat-headed. So I turned down the job and devoted myself to full-time activity in the radical movement.*

*My first solo effort was organizing the Back of the Yards area of Chicago, one of the most squalid slums in the country. I was helped a hell of a lot by the moonlighting*

*I'd done as an organizer for the C.I.O., and I'd got to know John L. Lewis very well; I later mediated between him and F.D.R. when their political alliance grew shaky [and also to negotiate a breakthrough in the Back of the Yards issue]. We became close friends and I learned a lot from him. But I always felt that my own role lay outside the labor movement. What I wanted to try to do was apply the organizing techniques I'd mastered with the C.I.O. to the worst slums and ghettos, so that the most oppressed and exploited elements in the country could take control of their own communities and their own destinies."*

- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky':  
*"The first and most important thing you can do to win this acceptance is to bait the power structure into publicly attacking you. In Back of the Yards, when I was first establishing my credentials, I deliberately maneuvered to provoke criticism. I made outrageous statements to the press, I attacked every civic and business leader I could think of, and I goaded the establishment to strike back. The Chicago Tribune, one of the most right-wing rags in the country at the time, branded me a subversive menace and spokesmen for the meat packers denounced me as a dangerous enemy of law and order. Now, these were the same forces that were screwing the average Joe in Back of the Yards, and the minute [they, the average Joe's] saw those attacks [they] said, "That guy Alinsky must be all right if he can get those bastards that pissed off; he must have something or they wouldn't be so worried." So I used what I call psychological jujitsu on the establishment, and it provided me with my credentials, my birth certificate, in all the communities I ever organized."*
- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky':  
*"Everything at our disposal in those days [we used in the Back of the Yards] — boycotts of stores, strikes against the meat packers, rent strikes against the slumlords, picketing of exploitive businesses, sit-downs in City Hall and the offices of the corrupt local machine bosses. We'd turn the politicians against each other, splitting them up and then taking them on one at a time. At first the establishment dismissed us with a sneer, but pretty soon we had them worried... Finally the concessions began trickling in - reduced rents, public housing, more and better municipal services, school improvements, more equitable mortgages and bank loans, fairer food prices. ... The linchpin of our struggle in Back of the Yards was unionization of the packing-house workers, because most of the local residents who worked had jobs in the stockyards, and unless their wages and living standards were improved, the community as a whole could never*

move forward. At that time the meat barons treated their workers like serfs, and they had a squad of vicious strikebreakers to terrorize any worker who even opened his mouth about a union. In fact, two of their goons submachined my car one night at the height of the struggle. They missed me and, goddamn it, I missed them when I shot back. We picketed, we sat down, we agitated; but the industry wouldn't budge. I said, "OK, we can't hurt 'em head on, so we'll outflank 'em and put heat on the downtown banks that control huge loans to the industry and force them to exert pressure on the packers to accept our demands." We directed a whole series of tactics against the banks, and they were a little wobbly at first, but then they formed a solid front with the packers and refused to give in or even to negotiate.

We were getting nowhere on the key issue of the whole struggle, and I was getting worried. I racked my brain for some new means of applying pressure on the banks and finally I came up with the answer. In those days, the uncontested ruler of Chicago was the old-line political boss Mayor [Edward] Kelly [in office 1933-1947]... Now, there were four big-city machines in the country at that time — Kelly's in Chicago, Pendergast's in Kansas City, Curley's in Boston and Hague's in Jersey City — and between them they exercised a hell of a political clout, because they were the guys who delivered the swing states to the Democrats at election time. This meant that Roosevelt had to deal with them, but they were all pretty disreputable in the public eye and whenever he met with them he smuggled them through the back door of the White House... This was particularly true in Kelly's case, since he was hated by liberals and radicals all across the country because of his reactionary anti-labor stand and his responsibility for the Memorial Day Massacre in Chicago in 1937. ...

Now, Kelly was a funny guy; he was a mass of contradictions - like most people - and despite his antilabor actions he really admired F.D.R.; in fact, he worshiped him, and nothing hurt him more than the way he was forced to sneak into the White House like a pariah...

[I said: "I'll make you a] true friend of the workingman. Within forty-eight hours I'll have turned you into a champion of liberalism" - Kelly still looked bored - "and that'll make you completely acceptable to F.D.R. on all occasions, social and political." Suddenly he sat bolt upright in his chair and his eyes bored into mine. "How do I know you can deliver?" he asked. I handed him a slip of paper. "That's the unlisted number of John L. Lewis in

Alexandria, Virginia. Call him, tell him I'm here in your office, tell him what I said, and then ask him if I can deliver." Kelly leaned back in his chair and said, "What do you want?" I said, "I want you to put the screws on the meat packers to sign a contract with the union." He said, "It's a deal. You'll get your contract tomorrow." We did, and from that time on victory for Back of the Yards was ensured. And I came out of that fight convinced that the organizational techniques we used in Back of the Yards could be employed successfully anywhere across the nation. *[Although he wasn't able to accomplish anything without FDR and FDR-allies as Marshall Field III and CIO president John Lewis]*"

- Alinsky founded the Industrial Areas Foundation in 1940, with key financial backing from [Marshall Field III](#):

- March 2, 1970, Time, 'Essay: Radical Saul Alinsky: Prophet of Power to the People': *"The [Chicago neighborhood Back of the] Yards gave Alinsky a name. The Chicago Democratic machine was upset that he had challenged its iron control of the city, but Publisher Marshall Field and Roman Catholic Bishop Bernard J. Sheil gave him enough backing to set up the Industrial Areas Foundation, an organization that seeks to apply the Alinsky methods to other slums. Operating on a \$150,000-a-year budget, I.A.F. has a basic staff of eleven; other organizers are put on the payroll when the need arises. I.A.F. has gone into Rochester, Buffalo and Kansas City, Mo., and has set up Mexican-American organizations in California."*

- November 12, 1989, New York Times, 'It Never Hurts to Have a Few Enemies': *"Urged on by such liberal, pro-labor clerics as Auxiliary Bishop Bernard J. Sheil, the church gave Alinsky an introduction to the key parish priests and later extended some financial support for his work. Many priests mistrusted this Jewish agitator, but top churchmen were also searching for a way to combat the decay of the ethnic working-class neighborhoods in which dwelled hundreds of thousands of their parishioners. ...*

*His "Reveille for Radicals" (1945) hit the best-seller list, and he secured the fervent support of important liberals like Agnes E. Meyer of The Washington Post and the retail magnate Marshall Field 3d. ...*

*The postwar years were a difficult time for Alinsky. ... Organizing was difficult ... in the conservative 1950's ... Alinsky had to wait until the rebirth of the civil rights movement to revive his project, and it was in the largely black Woodlawn neighborhood south of the University of Chicago that Alinsky's ideas again won notice [starting in 1960]. Here he guided the community's battle against the*



*university's real estate expansionism and helped bring civil rights agitation to city hall. ...*

*He was frankly jealous of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and dismissive of the first generation of New Left activists, whose ideas he predictably considered naive. His death of a heart attack in 1972 was not widely noted outside Chicago."*

- ▶ University of Chicago Library, 'Guide to the Emil Schwarzhaupt Foundation Papers 1945-1987': *"The Emil Schwarzhaupt Foundation was established in New York on July 21, 1936... Saul Alinsky's Industrial Areas Foundation in Chicago received so much money from Schwarzhaupt that at least one author assumed the [Emil] Schwarzhaupt Foundation was located in Chicago (see Saul Alinsky's humorous letter of April 14, 1966 in Box 29 Folder 18)."*
- ▶ Started organizing blacks in Chicago in the 1950s, in which he was opposed by Chicago mayor Richard J. Daley (1955-1976). Started organizing the black ghetto in Oakland, California, at the invitation of the Bay Area Presbyterian Churches. He was heavily opposed in this by the Oakland City Council, which attempted to ban him from the city. With support of the media, this failed and Alinsky here too established an *"all-black organization to fight the establishment."*
- ▶ In 1968 Alinsky founded the Industrial Areas Foundation Training Institute - his self-described "school for professional radicals". Here he trained "community organizers" and send them to organize slums around the country, mainly to oppose big business exploitation. In this manner, Alinsky-type protests spread even further across the country, to places as Kansas City, Detroit and Southern California.
  - ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky: a candid conversation with the feisty radical organizer': *"By the late Sixties, Alinsky was leaving most of the field work to his aides and concentrating on training community organizers through the Industrial Areas Foundation Training Institute... Funded principally by a foundation grant of [Gordon Sherman of] Midas Muffler, the school aims at turning out 25 skilled organizers annually to work in black and white communities across the nation. "Just think of all the hell we've kicked up around the country with only four or five full-time organizers," Alinsky told newsmen at the school's opening session. "Things will really move now." He was right...*
  - Playboy sent Eric Norden to interview him. The job, Norden soon discovered, was far from easy... "I accompanied [Alinsky] from the East Coast to the West and into Canada, snatching tape sessions on planes, in*

*cars and at airport cocktail lounges between strategy sessions with his local organizers, which were more like military briefings than bull sessions."*

- ▶ September 25, 2015, Counterpunch, 'The Alinsky Method: a Critique': *"It was an evening late in August 1968. ... The phone rang. It was Saul Alinsky. He wanted to talk with me about becoming a member of the faculty, along with Ed Chambers and Dick Harmon, at the new Industrial Areas Foundation Training Institute. ...*

*I needed a job. I had been blacklisted by academia. At five institutions of higher education in the Chicago area (Chicago State College, Northern Illinois University, Roosevelt University, the University of Illinois Circle Campus and Loyola University) I had been offered a full-time, tenure-track job, and I accepted, only to have the contract overridden by the trustees or Board of Governors. ...*

*The central organizations of the New Left, the [Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee \(SNCC\)](#) and Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), were in the process of destroying themselves. Although I shared criticisms of Alinsky's work common to members of these two organizations, I wondered what I might be able to learn from Alinsky organizers. ... So I said "Yes." ...*

*Alinsky advised newcomers to the Institute to spend some time in a target neighborhood in order to discover what issues were already "there" in the minds of residents. ... He challenged us to discover the informal leadership of a community [and] bring these informal leaders together. [Then] observe who seemed to take a natural leadership role, and who followed through on what he said he would do. ...*

*Three of us were assigned to organize an Alinsky-type community organization in Lake County, Indiana, which includes the city of Gary and is dominated by U.S. Steel. We did so, baptizing our creation the Calumet Community Congress. There was an impressive founding convention...*

*I had developed the issue of the minimal taxes paid by U.S. Steel on its Gary steel mill property. I had talked with [Ralph Nader](#) and he had publicly supported that concern."*

- ▶ Alinsky started to organize the middle class right before his death, but really in a manipulative sense. He clearly put a lot of time in attempting to exploit and magnify any potential issue the white class could have (except black crime numbers), quite along the lines laid out in his 'Rules for Radicals' book:

- ▶ 1971, Saul Alinsky, 'Rules for Radicals': *"5. Ridicule is*

*man's most potent weapon. There is no defense. It's irrational. It's infuriating. It also works as a key pressure point to force the enemy into concessions. ...*

*8. Keep the pressure on. ...*

*11. ...Violence from the other side can win the public to your side because the public sympathizes with the underdog. ...*

*13. Pick the target, freeze it, personalize it, and polarize it. ... One acts decisively only in the conviction that all the angels are on one side and all the devils on the other."*

- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky: a candid conversation with the feisty radical organizer':  
*"Positive action for radical social change will have to be focused on the white middle class, for the simple reason that this is where the real power lies. Today, three fourths of our population is middle class... For the first time in history you have a country where the poor are in the minority...*

*Christ, even if we could manage to organize all the exploited low-income groups--all the blacks, chicanos, Puerto Ricans, poor whites--and then, through some kind of miracle, weld them together into a viable coalition, what would you have? [No,] the only hope for genuine minority progress is to seek out allies within the majority and to organize that majority itself as part of a national movement for change.*

*We [could] just give up and let the middle classes go to the like of Agnew and Nixon by default [but the middle classes] are still up for grabs--and we are gonna grab 'em. [The middle classes are] conservative? That's a crock of crap. ... They can and will go either of two ways in the coming years--to a native [white] American fascism [personified by Nixon] or toward radical social change. [Now they live] "lives of quiet desperation." They're oppressed by taxation and inflation, poisoned by pollution, terrorized by urban crime, frightened by the new youth culture, baffled by the computerized world around them. ... Their personal lives are generally unfulfilling, their jobs unsatisfying, they've succumbed to tranquilizers and pep pills, they drown their anxieties in alcohol. ...*

*They're losing their kids and they are losing their dreams. They're alienated, depersonalized, without any feeling of participation in the political process, and they feel rejected and hopeless. Their utopia of status and security has become a tacky-tacky suburb ... and their disillusionment is becoming terminal. ... Every night when they turn on the TV and the news comes on, they see the almost unbelievable hypocrisy and deceit and*

*often outright idiocy of our national leaders and the corruption and disintegration of all our institutions, from the police and courts to the White House itself. Their society appears to be crumbling and they see themselves as no more than small failures within the larger failure. All their old values seem to have deserted them, leaving them rudderless in a sea of social chaos. Believe me, this is good organizational material.*

*The despair is there; now it's up to us to go in and rub raw the sores of discontent, galvanize them for radical change. We'll give them a way to ... strike back at the establishment that oppresses them... We'll start with specific issues--taxes, jobs, consumer problems, pollution--and from there move on to larger issues: pollution in the Pentagon and the Congress and the board rooms of the megacorporations. Once you organize people, they'll keep advancing from issue to issue toward the ultimate objective: people power. We'll not only give them a cause, we'll make life goddamn exciting for them again - life instead of existence. We'll turn them on. ...*

*[I'm here] to teach them to stop talking and start acting, because the fat cats in charge never hear with their ears, only through their rears."*

- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky': *"Their fears and their frustrations over their impotence can turn into political paranoia and demonize them, driving them to the right, making them ripe for the plucking by some guy on horseback promising a return to the vanished verities of yesterday. The right would give them scapegoats for their misery--blacks, hippies, communists--and if it wins, this country will become the first totalitarian state with a national anthem celebrating "the land of the free and the home of the brave." But we are not going to abandon the field to them without a long, hard fight--a fight I think we're going to win. Because we'll show the middle class their REAL enemies: the corporate power-elite that runs and ruins this country--the true beneficiaries of Nixon's so-called economic reforms. ... I love this goddamn country, and we're going to take it back.*

▶ More on Saul Alinsky:

- ▶ December 24, 1965, New York Times, 'TV: Saul Alinsky Speaks; Controversial Organizer in Slum Areas Discusses His Views on Channel 13'. The New York Times hardly discussed Alinsky during his life. A 1969 article is not available. Did write a 1972 obituary.
- ▶ October 1972, Rockefeller Foundation Illustrated newsletter, p. 3, 'Saul David Alinsky': *"In 1938, Alinsky began to build a community organization in one of the*

country's worst slums— the Back of the Yards district, behind the Chicago stockyards. Children born there, it was said, got used to a stench so terrible that if they were taken out to the country to play in the fresh air they promptly got sick. The neighborhood -- of Poles, Slovaks, Germans, Mexicans, Irish -- was 95 percent Roman Catholic. Alinsky explained to local priests that they had better do something about living conditions if they wanted to keep their parishioners out of Communist-dominated organizations. And the priests agreed.

"Within a few months," Alinsky recalled, "we were holding our organizational meetings in churches." He went on: "We showed the workers in the meat-packing houses how they could organize a union, and we showed the local merchants that higher wages would increase their profits, and we showed the exploited tenants how they could fight back against their landlords. Finally the concessions began trickling in—reduced rents, public housing, more and better municipal services, school improvements, more equitable mortgages and bank loans, fairer food prices."

Radical as this sounds, it was really in the best American tradition. Alinsky, for all his baiting of the establishment, was an old-fashioned believer in hard work, cooperation and the value of the individual. "Power," he said, "has always derived from two main sources, money and people. Lacking money, the have-nots must build power from their own flesh and blood. ...

Ironically, the Back of the Yards has [now] also become anti-Negro; at the time of his death, Alinsky was talking about going back to form a new organization there -- to overthrow the one he had built more than thirty years before. ...

Just before he died, Alinsky had begun work on the most ambitious project of his career: the revitalization of the white middle class. Here, he pointed out, is where the power lies -- in terms of sheer numbers and in terms of economic strength. "Right now," he said, "they're frozen -- oppressed by taxation and inflation, poisoned by pollution, terrorized by urban crime, frightened by the new youth culture, baffled by the computerized world around them. Their personal lives are generally unfulfilling, their jobs unsatisfying, they've succumbed to tranquilizers and pep pills. All their old values seem to have deserted them. Believe me, this is good organizational material.

One way to "rub raw the sores of social discontent" (a favorite phrase) is to point out to people who their enemies really are. ... Once you organize people, they'll

*keep advancing from issue to issue toward the ultimate objective: people power. We'll not only give them a cause, we'll make life exciting for them again - life instead of existence.'"*

- ▶ March 2, 1970, Time, 'Essay: Radical Saul Alinsky: Prophet of Power to the People': *"Today, [the white-dominated] Back of the Yards [neighborhood in Chicago] is under attack for keeping Negroes out; Alinsky threatens to organize the neighborhood all over again. In Rochester, [Alinsky's] FIGHT [Freedom, Integration, God, Honor, Today] became tainted with black racism [towards] whites [who] have been discouraged from joining.*

*In an updated version of his 1946 textbook on organization, Reveille for Radicals, Alinsky wonders how white liberals can believe in the dignity of all races when they are so willing to surrender their own by submitting to outrageous attacks from blacks. "During the trial of Black Panther Leader Huey Newton, many liberals wore buttons reading 'Honkies for Huey!'" he notes. "Can you imagine, if a white civil-rights leader were on trial, that blacks would go about with buttons reading 'Niggers for so-and-so'?"*

- ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky: a candid conversation with the feisty radical organizer': ""
- ▶ Financing of the Alinsky-founded Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF):
  - ▶ 1968 annual report, [Rockefeller Foundation](#), p. 140: *"Industrial Areas Foundation, Chicago, Illinois: toward the costs of its Training Institute for community organizers; \$225,000 through June, 1972."* In the 1969-1971 RF annual reports the IAF is listed as receiving \$75,000 annually. Alinsky died in June 1972.
  - ▶ October 1972, Rockefeller Foundation Illustrated newsletter, p. 3: ([PDF download](#)): *"Trustees: John D. Rockefeller IV [Jay Rockefeller] ... [Close David/Laurance Rockefeller and Rothschild ally] Maurice F. Strong ... Robert Roosa ... [later Soros agent] Bill Moyers ... [Close David Rockefeller friend] Douglas Dillon is Chairman ... Frederick Seitz ... Cyrus Vance ... Vernon Jordan..."* Coincidentally, this one page instantly shows the type of superclass men supporting Saul Alinsky in the years before his death.
  - ▶ March 1972, Playboy, 'Playboy interview: Saul Alinsky': *"The Industrial Areas Foundation Training Institute... funded principally by a foundation grant of Midas Muffler..."*
- ▶ Financing of The Woodlan Organization (TWO), founded in 1960 by Alinsky:

► September 2005, G. William Domhoff at his whorulesamerica.ucsc.edu, 'The Ford Foundation in the Inner City: Forging an Alliance with Neighborhood Activists': *"In addition, [TWO] also received \$750,000 in 1969 from the Ford-funded Center for Community Change."* CCC has also been supported by the Rockefeller, Carnegie, Mott, Packard and other foundations.

► February 14, 1978, New York Times, 'Chicago Group Faces Foundation Cutoff': *"[TWO] put together about 15 years ago by Saul D. Alinsky, the late social activist, and [co-founded and] led by the [black] Rev. Arthur M. Brazier [who march alongside the Rockefeller-funded Martin Luther King]. ...*

*The Ford Foundation's threatened action [over financial irregularities and a possible FBI investigation also] comes at a time when the Woodlawn Organization, which long ago abandoned its early militancy in favor of social and economic projects within its community, has recently been named the recipient of two Federal grants.*

...

*Since 1970... the [Ford] Foundation had put \$1 million into redevelopment projects sponsored by the organization, which operates two housing projects, a shopping center, a theater and other enterprises. In addition, he said, the foundation has given it \$2.5 million in grants and has contributed \$250,000 for technical assistance.*

► Controversial Lucifer quote:

► 1971, Saul Alinsky, 'Rules for Radicals', epigraph: *"Lest we forget at least an over-the-shoulder acknowledgment to the very first radical... The first radical known to man who rebelled against the establishment and did it so effectively that he at least won his own kingdom--Lucifer."*

## Fidel Castro

► Fidel Castro took power in the communist Cuban Revolution of 1959, in response to the U.S.-backed dictatorship of Batista.

► Executions, imprisonment, brainwashing and torture have been the norm under Castro for more than half a century since taking power. Also large groups of people have been trying to flee the island:

► May 25, 1976 'Report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights on the Status of Human Rights in Cuba', Case 1805: *"We, the political prisoners of the Prison of Boniato in the province of Oriente, Cuba, have been confined for years without seeing our families, without being allowed even to communicate with them, unable to*

*receive or send letters, shut up worse than wild beasts in cells hermetically sealed with iron sheets. With a hole in a corner as the sole sanitary facility where urine and excrements accumulate, making the little air available so foul as to be almost unbreathable: without sun, without light, in constant semidarkness, almost blind and strictly prohibited from receiving medical assistance...*

*If you could see us you also would be filled with consternation; but here no one can take photos; this is a communist prison. Our health is worse each day. Generalized polyneuritis and avitaminosis play havoc among us, we are being killed slowly but inexorably. There are problems with reflexes, with coordination, lack of balance; there are nervous and digestive disorders of all kinds and we are absolutely denied any medical assistance. Our eyelids are inflamed, reddened, our gums bleeding and receding, our teeth loose, dropping out. Lips and mouths cracked, full of sores, bodies full of dark pustules; groins, genitals, feed and neck invaded by fungus, skin scaly, grey ... and we are denied all medical assistance. ...*

*We have been beaten in a savage and brutal manner, heads, faces and arms have been broken by sticks and iron bars, systematically, cell by cell. ...*

*We are weighed in the cells, we are observed, our reactions are evaluated, our metabolism is altered with unknown substances incorporated in the food, to meals consisting exclusively of spaghetti, corn meal, and boiled rice, with a daily total of under 200 calories. Whole months with no salt whatsoever followed by weeks in which the food is so salty that it almost cannot be swallowed. These brusque changes upset our metabolism, raise our blood pressure, cause kidney problems, and the like. Some are monstrously swollen, with the so-called "hunger edemas" produced by malnutrition. We are not men, we are specters, skeletons covered by skin, human scarecrows. We are like those pictures of concentration camps that caused such consternation the world over. ...*

*Russian, Czech and Cuban communist doctors direct this Extermination and Experimentation Plan."*

- November 9, 1986, Los Angeles Times, 'A Conversation with Armando Valladares': *"Is it more horrible to allow someone to die of thirst, which is what happened to former student leader Pedro Luis Boitel, or to mutilate somebody's hands with a machete, as was the case with Eduardo Capote, a teacher who fought against (former dictator Fulgencio) Batista but nevertheless was sent to the Isla de Pinos when he disagreed with Castro? Some of*



*the worst torture occurred at the Boniato Prison, where biological experiments were conducted on prisoners.*

*Q: ... What are drawer cells?*

*A: ... Very narrow cells, about six feet long, that contain five or six prisoners. Prisoners had to sit with their knees against their body. There was no room to move; prisoners had to urinate and defecate right there. All of the tortures had one purpose, which was to break the prisoner's resistance. If a prisoner called a political commissioner and said he understood he had been wrong, if he denied his religious beliefs, saying they were from the obscure ages, and if he admitted that he now understood that communism was the solution to mankind's problems and he wanted to have the opportunity to re-enter the new communist society, then he could escape the cell and be put in a re-education farm. ...*

*Since 1980 [political dissidents have] been in blackout cells, totally dark. They're nine feet long, these cells, and four feet wide. On the floor there's a hole. ... Amnesty International says men in these cells have been in prison for an average of 22 years. ...*

*If we accept this argument [that Castro built schools and hospitals], we must excuse Hitler and Stalin, who also built hospitals and schools. Then we have to justify Pinochet...*

*[Many] are quick to denounce crimes and tortures when they're committed by men like Chilean President Augusto Pinochet but keep quiet when these same crimes and tortures are committed by Castro. They keep quiet because Castro is such "a charming man." ...*

*Castro has done what many of them would have liked to do: stand up to America. That's why there's so much sympathy for the Sandinistas in Nicaragua. What I find curious is that even here in the United States there are many Americans who are anti-American. ... In Europe, for example, which is supposed to have a high intellectual level, when I speak about the dictatorships of Pinochet and Castro, journalists will say, "What about Reagan?"*

- ▶ October 27, 1995, The Spokesman-Review, 'Castro's Curdling Attempt To Milk A Deal': *"[Castro's] secret police informers, trained by the Stasi spies of East Germany, permeate every Cuban village and walk of life; Amnesty International counts 600 prisoners rotting in Cuban jails for having dared to oppose the dictator's rule.*

*...*

*He lost all chance for Cuban prosperity by burdening the people with 3.2 million governmental workers and a huge standing army to protect his regime from any need for elections. He lost Cuba's independence by making it a*

*vassal of the Soviet Union, addicted to Soviet subsidies, and renting out Cuban youths as mercenaries in Moscow's failed African adventures. Then, when that blood money dried up, Cubans suffered as never before.*

*...*

*Despite that record of colossal failure, Castro gets the loudest applause of all speakers at the United Nations. ... Every U.N. diplomat who envies and resents U.S. power gets a kick out of cheering Castro, who has clung to unelected power during nine elected U.S. presidencies. ... Some U.S. business executives comfortable with state-monopoly deals help Castro sell this line; they're the same ones who assured us that trade would bring an end to repression in China."*

- ▶ May 3, 2003, Sydney Morning Herald, 'Intellectuals spring to Cuba's support': *"The singer Harry Belafonte and the actor Danny Glover are also among the personalities who so far have signed the two-paragraph declaration "To the Conscience of the World"... "At this very moment a strong campaign of destabilisation against a Latin American nation has been unleashed. The harassment against Cuba could serve as a pretext for an invasion." President Fidel Castro's Government has come under international criticism following the sentencing of 75 dissidents to long prison terms last month, and the execution of three men who hijacked a ferry in a failed attempt to reach the US."*

- ▶ April 1, 2003, CBS, 'Cuba Executes Ferry Hijackers': *"No one was hurt when the group, reportedly armed with at least one pistol and several knives, seized the ferry in Havana Bay in the earlier hours of April 2 with about 50 people aboard. The captain was ordered to sail to the United States. ...*

*The ferry, the Baragua, was commandeered by hijackers a day after a Cuban passenger plane was hijacked to Key West, Florida, by a man who allegedly threatened to blow up the aircraft with two grenades. The grenades turned out to be fake.*

*Ten of the Cubans aboard that flight opted to remain in the United States and 19 others asked to go home.*

*Another Cuban plane was hijacked to Key West less than two weeks earlier.*

*The hijackings coincided with a crackdown on dissidents in Cuba and rising tensions with the United States."*

- ▶ Hollywood's support makes sense, looking at how David Rockefeller's clique has loved Fidel Castro and Cuba since at least 1994:

- ▶ October 27, 1995, The Spokesman-Review, 'Castro's Curdling Attempt To Milk A Deal': *"Despite [Castro's]*

*record of [despotism], Castro gets the loudest applause of all speakers at the United Nations. ... Every U.N. diplomat who envies and resents U.S. power gets a kick out of cheering Castro, who has clung to unelected power during nine elected U.S. presidencies. ...*

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- November 6, 1995, Time, 'Fidel Castro Takes Manhattan':  
*"[Castro] desperately wants the U.S. to end its 33-year-old trade embargo. With no more subsidies from the Soviet Union, the Cuban economy has almost ground to a halt.*

*...*

*He dined with the Rockefellers, lectured blue-blood investment bankers and stopped by Time Inc., the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal. ... Gathered at one table were takeover maestro Henry Kravis, billionaire Laurence Tisch, New Yorker editor Tina Brown and her husband Harry Evans, the head of Random House, along with some luminous stars of TV journalism--Diane Sawyer, Mike Wallace, Peter Jennings and Barbara Walters. ...*

*The strategy seemed to work. At least five major newspapers ran editorials questioning the value of the embargo. Businessmen, many of whom are eager to go into Cuba, also seemed sold. ... Trade with Cuba, they argue, would open the country up to democratic influences. ...*

*Dwayne Andreas, head of the agricultural giant Archer Daniels Midland, attended the Rockefeller dinner and was impressed. "These communists used to be ideological crusaders," said Andreas. "But the communists of 1995 are managers of businesses. Fidel talked like the general manager of AT&T. Even his language is that of a businessman. He was talking about his working capital requirements, his depreciation problems, his repair problems."*

- October 25, 1995, NY Times, 'Applause for Castro? Why?':  
*"Will [Castro] make another mad dash to [black] Harlem [to sleep there] this time around? ... Mr. Castro will receive an altogether more cordial reception from American business executives, many of whom do not support the United States economic embargo against Cuba. So far, the Cuban President has received more than 230 invitations to breakfast, lunch or dinner, said John Kavulich, president of the U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council in Manhattan. "He has accepted as many invitations as his days will allow," Mr. Kavulich said.*

*[Castro] is expected to attend a closed-door meeting with experts on Cuba at the Council of Foreign Relations on Monday."*

- ▶ October 25, 1995, New York Times, 'Applause for Castro? Why?': *"It is hard to know what is more disturbing the thought of business leaders like David Rockefeller sitting down to a lunch with Fidel Castro or the sight of hundreds of people at the Abyssinian Baptist Church in Harlem cheering the fatigue-wearing Cuban revolutionary. ...*

*Fidel Castro has consistently prevented Amnesty International from entering Cuba to investigate human rights abuses, has silenced independent journalists and has expelled political opponents. ...*

*Investor Magazine ranks only North Korea as a less attractive country in which to invest, and Cuba has only a small quantity of foreign currency reserves. In a galling move, Mr. Castro is selling off confiscated property owned by American citizens and corporations to raise hard currency to buy a little more time for his regime.*

*The Harlem rally and the lunch meeting at the Council on Foreign Relations attended by the business leaders may send mixed messages, but United States policy could not be clearer. The Cuban Democracy Act of 1992 is aimed at trying to bring about political freedom. It authorizes telephone and other means of communication with Cuba in order to promote the exchange of ideas. It denies Mr. Castro the opportunity to support his security forces by earning hard currency through trade with the United States. It challenges him to begin democratization and offers calibrated American responses. The power to end the embargo lies in Fidel Castro's hands. He can exercise it by simply permitting free expression and holding free elections. His Government's fall is inevitable. When the prisons are opened and the political prisoners' horror stories are more fully told, I wonder if those who cheered Fidel Castro and sat down with him will be proud of themselves."*

- ▶ October 26, 1995, Baltimore Sun, 'Castro gets wish list from U.S. businesses': *"Dwayne O. Andreas, chairman of the board and chief executive of agricultural products processor Archer Daniels Midland Co., sat next to Mr. Castro at a Saturday night [Oct. 21st] dinner in New York."*
- ▶ October 20, 1995, NY Times, 'Visiting Castro to Meet Both Cold Shoulder [from politicians] and 'Fidelmania' [from big business]': *"If the 1979 visit was one of virtual seclusion, his first visit to the United Nations in 1960 was public and dramatic.*

*Mr. Castro, wearing his trademark fatigue uniform,*

*moved his entourage to the Theresa Hotel in Harlem after he stalked out of a hotel in midtown Manhattan, accusing the manager of making "unacceptable cash" demands. For a brief while, he even threatened to sleep in Central Park.*

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► February 2001 CFR delegation meeting with Castro (US newspapers seem to have been quiet on it, except Newsmax):

► February 19, 2001, Granma International (official newspaper of the Cuban Communist Party), 'Rockefeller-led US delegation met with Fidel' (translated from Spanish): *"A delegation from the Council on Foreign Relations ... (CFR), made up of 19 American bankers, businessmen and former diplomats and headed by the prominent financier David Rockefeller, held a meeting in this capital with President Fidel Castro, which they described as "very interesting".*

*"It is a great pleasure for me to be in Cuba, the first time in 42 years. I came often during the pre-Revolution period because I was a member of Chase Manhattan, which had branches here," said Rockefeller, Honorary President of the CFR -- A private organization -- at the conclusion of his visit to the Island on Sunday, February 18. "Many things have happened here during these 42 years and for me there was a great interest to see what we have seen," added the magnate, according to AFP."*

*Along with Rockefeller, Peter Peterson, president of CFR and of the Blackstone Group Investment Bank, traveled to Havana; William Rogers, former Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs; the scholar Mark Falcoff and James Jones, a former ambassador to Mexico, among others.*

*At a press conference, Peterson described his meeting with the Cuban President as very interesting, and stressed Fidel's ability and knowledge. "It seemed to me that he had the level of knowledge almost of a computer*

*on all the facts related to the national situation," he said. He also declared his impression of the high levels of education, health and scientific research on the island and the commitment to youth, the AIN reported.*

*Peterson indicated that during their stay in Cuba they also met with writers, intellectuals, businessmen and academics and that they take a fairly complete view of the country's situation.*

*Williams Rogers, former Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs during the Ford administration, and academic Walter Russell, meanwhile, said that the dialogue with Fidel, which was attended by several Cuban ministers and leaders, demonstrated that rapprochement and understanding is possible, between people of the two nations. ...*

*The US delegation left Havana for Mexico, where it would stay for three days and hold a meeting with Mexican President Vicente Fox."*

- ▶ February 22, 2001, Newsmax, 'Rockefeller-led u.s. delegation cozies up to Castro': *"The delegation, composed of members of the globalist Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), often described by critics as a conspiratorial group covertly attempting to create and dominate the so-called new world order, praised Castro for his alleged knowledge and ability... Citing its vast influence over U.S. foreign policy, critics note that every U.S. secretary of state since at least the 1930s has been a CFR member. ...*

*Peterson's view of Cuba was at issue with a report issued by the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor on Feb. 26, 1999, which stated that Cuba's government "continued systematically to violate fundamental civil and political rights of its citizens. ... There were several credible reports of death due to excessive use of force by the police. Members of the security forces and prison officials continued to beat and otherwise abuse detainees and prisoners."...*

*Peterson[s] picture, however, was not entirely complete - Peterson did not meet with any Cuban dissidents, most of whom are in Castro's prisons. ...*

*The visit came on the heels of a CFR report issued last year that called for improvement of relations between the United States and Cuba..."*

- ▶ Cuba's main export partners in 2017 were Canada (19.4%), Venezuela (15.6%), China (15.2%), Spain (8.6%), Netherlands (3.8%), other (37.4%).
- ▶ Support for Fidel Castro includes the following actors, singers and filmmakers. They have ignored Castro's repression, the waves of people trying to flee Cuba, called for the release of

the Cuban Five (Cuban intelligence agents caught in the US spying on anti-Castro groups) and warned against a potential U.S. invasion of Cuba:

- ▶ Actor Danny Glover.
  - ▶ Singer Harry Belafonte
  - ▶ Actor Martin Sheen, the father of actor Charlie Sheen.
  - ▶ Actor Sean Penn.
  - ▶ Actor Benicio Del Toro.
  - ▶ Filmmaker Michael Moore through 'Sicko' (2007), for example.
  - ▶ Filmmaker Oliver Stone.
  - ▶ Model Naomi Campbell.
- ▶ The U.S. embargo of Cuba may have been set up to be inefficient:
- ▶ February 22, 2003, WorldNetDaily, '44 years of Castro's iron fist': *"GONZALEZ: ... It seems that some important people agree with my interpretation of Castroism as a successful experiment. If one is to believe media mogul Ted Turner, U.N. Deputy Secretary General Maurice Strong, Wall Street banker David Rockefeller, World Bank President James Wolfensohn, General Secretary of the World Council of Churches Rev. Konrad Kaiser, UNESCO's General Director Federico Mayor, Secretary of State Colin Powell and other movers and shakers of this world, Castro's Cuba is the model to follow. .... The so-called U.S. "economic embargo" has been so inefficient that it only has benefited Castro by giving him a pretext to justify the Cuban disaster. It's highly revealing that some aspects of the embargo, which would have made it truly effective, have never been implemented. Now, just a perfunctory look at the list of influential Americans I mentioned in my previous answer – some of with strong influence in U.S. foreign policy decisions – who believe that Castro's Cuba is a total success, shows that one does not have to be a conspiracy nut to suspect that the embargo was actually created not to hurt Castro, but to guarantee his undisturbed staying in power in Cuba. Of course, Castro's worst fear has always been the end of his main disinformation tool: the U.S. embargo. ... LOPEZ: That is a common claim in the anti-embargo movement. Survey data from recent Cuban arrivals to the U.S. indicate that very few people in Cuba believe that the embargo is responsible for their dire situation. They blame the Cuban government. Reports from independent journalists in Cuba support this conclusion."*

### Noam Chomsky

- ▶ Born in 1928. BA University of Pennsylvania in 1949, MA in

1951, Ph.D. in 1955. Harvard Society of Fellows 1951-1955. Professor at MIT since 1955. National Science Foundation fellow at the Institute for Advanced Study 1958-1959. Played a pivotal role in the decline of behaviorism, being particularly critical of the work of B. F. Skinner ([Esalen Institute](#)).

- In 1995 Chomsky supported fellow-MIT professor John Deutch, a [top superclass member](#) and CIA director, as president of MIT, despite being seen as a warhawk. Deutch and Chomsky have heaped praise on each other:

- October 12, 1995, New York Times, 'The C.I.A.'s most Important Mission: Itself': *"[Deutch] may be the only living American to gain the approval of both Ronald Reagan and Noam Chomsky, the M.I.T. linguist and leading left-wing thinker. "He has more honesty and integrity than anyone I've ever met in academic life, or any other life," Chomsky said. "If somebody's got to be running the C.I.A., I'm glad it's him." ...*

*[Deutch ironically condoning torture in the same article, in Latin America of all places:] Prompted by the disclosure that one of the C.I.A.'s foreign agents, a Guatemalan colonel, might have been implicated in the murder of an American, Deutch ordered a worldwide re-evaluation of thousands of paid informers. The orders were to identify the crooks and the fingernail-pullers, to weigh the information they provided against their records, and to sack them if they failed the test."*

- 1996, Noam Chomsky and David Barsamia, 'Class Warfare', p. 101: *"[Me - Chomsky - and Deutch] were actually friends and got along fine, although we disagreed on about as many things as two human beings can disagree about. I liked him. We got along very well together. He's very honest, very direct. You know where you stand with him. We talked to each other. When we had disagreements, they were open, sharp, clear, honestly dealt with. I found it fine. I had no problem with him. I was one of the very few people on the faculty, I'm told, who was supporting his candidacy for the President of MIT."*

- In 2008 Noam Chomsky, fellow Liberal CIA asset [Daniel Ellsberg](#), and antifa chieftain [Howard Zinn](#) came to the aid of the Albert Einstein Institution (AEI) of Gene Sharp in a "holding the line" effort of the "new left" "progressive" (media and activist) network when it started picking up on accusations that the AEI might be involved in left-wing "soft coups". No matter what the truth, Gene Sharp is the most closely associated with Harvard's Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, co-founded by Henry Kissinger and McGeorge Bundy, with people like Zbigniew Brzezinski (early recruit; IAC anno 1998) and Samuel Huntington (exec. anno



1998) on various boards.

► June 2008, [stephenzunes.org/petition/](http://stephenzunes.org/petition/) (also at [aeinstein.org](http://aeinstein.org)), 'Open Letter in Support of Gene Sharp and Strategic': *Signatories: ... 1. Howard Zinn. 2. Noam Chomsky ... 26. Daniel Ellsberg. ... 70. Matthew Rothschild [of] The Progressive Magazine. [138 signatories in total]...*

*Dr. Sharp is widely recognized as one of the world's leading authorities on strategic nonviolent action. ... During the past year and a half, Dr. Sharp and the Albert Einstein Institution have been subjected to a series of false accusations by a number of foreign governments of receiving guidance and financial support from the Bush administration, working with the CIA, and engaging in activities designed to promote U.S. imperialism. These and other groundless charges have also appeared in a series of articles which have been posted in recent months on a number of progressive web sites and elsewhere as if they were true. We, however, reject such claims categorically. We are aware of, and are adamantly opposed to, efforts by the ... NED [and] IRI [note: why doesn't it mention the "progressive" NDI?]. We recognize, however, that Dr. Sharp and the Albert Einstein Institution are not part of such an agenda... Rather than being a tool of imperialism, Dr. Sharp's research and writings have inspired generations of progressive peace, labor, feminist, human rights, environmental, and social justice activists in the United States and around the world...*

*Except for receiving a couple of small one-time grants from the NED and IRI (well prior to the Bush administration coming to office) in order to translate some of Dr. Sharp's theoretical writings, the Albert Einstein Institution has never received any money from any government or government-funded entity. ...*

*The Albert Einstein Institution operates with a very minimal budget out of Dr. Sharp's home with a staff consisting of two people – Dr. Sharp and a young administrator – and is quite incapable of carrying out the foreign intrigues of which it has been falsely accused. ... The popular nonviolent uprisings which led to the overthrow of corrupt and undemocratic regimes in Serbia, Georgia and Ukraine earlier this decade – like similar movements which ousted U.S.-backed dictatorships in the Philippines, Chile, Mali, Bolivia, and other countries in previous decades – were a result of independent actions by the people of those nations struggling for their rights. As a result, neither Gene Sharp nor any other foreign individual, organization or*

*government deserves the credit or the blame for their victories."*

- ▶ Anti-Vietnam War activist who in 1967 attracted widespread public attention for his anti-war essay *The Responsibility of Intellectuals*. Emerged as a well-spoken "anarchist" scholar who equally criticizes communism and capitalism. Strangely, Chomsky seems to confuse socialism with communism just as the U.S.' ultraright, basically leaving him no political choice than anarchism. One of his rather unrealistic ideas is that workers should own their own workplace.
- ▶ Considered one of the top anti-establishment authorities on the left when it comes to criticizing corporations and government misconduct. Opposes the War on Terror and supported [Occupy Wall Street](#). Despite acknowledging corporate control over the government and media, Chomsky is extremely opposed to any serious [JFK](#) or [9/11](#) questions, as well as most other key conspiracy theories.
- ▶ Member of the Campaign for Peace and Democracy and the Industrial Workers of the World International Union. Member of the interim consultative committee of the International Organization for a Participatory Society.
- ▶ Long-time ally of Venezuela's Hugo Chavez, although in the end he criticized Chavez:
  - ▶ July 3, 2011, The Guardian, 'Noam Chomsky criticises old friend Hugo Chávez for 'assault' on democracy': *"Hugo Chávez has long considered Noam Chomsky one of his best friends in the west. He has basked in the renowned scholar's praise for Venezuela's socialist revolution and echoed his denunciations of US imperialism. Venezuela's president, who has revealed that he has had surgery in Cuba to remove a cancerous tumour, turned one of Chomsky's books into an overnight bestseller after brandishing it during a UN speech. He hosted Chomsky in Caracas with smiles and pomp. Earlier this year Chávez even suggested Washington make Chomsky the US ambassador to Venezuela. The president may be about to have second thoughts about that, because his favourite intellectual has now turned his guns on Chávez. Speaking to the Observer last week, Chomsky has accused the socialist leader of amassing too much power and of making an "assault" on Venezuela's democracy."*
- ▶ The Rockefeller-Soros-Ford Foundation-funded [Institute for Policy Studies](#) hired him as a scholar in 1999: [ips-dc.org/projects/senior](http://ips-dc.org/projects/senior) (accessed: January 4, 2006): *"In late 1999, IPS began assembling a network of well-known progressive scholars and theoreticians to enlarge and enrich the Institute's work. ... Senior Scholars participate through periodic gatherings, collaborations with existing IPS projects, and a worldwide electronic network, and have access to office*

space at IPS when in Washington. *IPS Senior Scholars 2002: ... Noam Chomsky ... Barbara Ehrenreich ... [9/11 Truther and no-planer] Richard Falk ...*"

- ▶ Member of the advisory council of the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation (NAPF), together with Daniel Ellsberg (also of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#)) and liberal elites as [Ted Turner](#), Archbishop Desmond Tutu (also of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#)), Jean Goodall (also of the [State of the World Forum](#), like many others here), the Dalai Lama, Queen Noor of Jordan and the more right-wing Max Kampelman, as well as suspected MKULTRA veteran Robert Jay Lifton:
  - ▶ [wagingpeace.org/about/people/advisory-council/](http://wagingpeace.org/about/people/advisory-council/) (accessed: November 18, 2016): *"Harry Belafonte ... Noam Chomsky, Ph.D. ... Jean-Michel Cousteau ... Michael Douglas ... Anne H. Ehrlich, Ph.D. ... Paul R. Ehrlich, Ph.D. ... Daniel Ellsberg, Ph.D. ... Harrison Ford ... Jane Goodall Ph.D, DBE ... H.H. the 14th Dalai Lama ... Rev. James Lawson [MLK mentor] ... Robert Jay Lifton ... Queen Noor of Jordan ... Rev. George Regas ... Hon. Douglas Roche, O.C. ... Robert Scheer (truthdig.com) ... Ted Turner ... Archbishop Desmond M. Tutu..."*
  - ▶ [wagingpeace.org/about/people/advisory-council/former-napf-advisors/](http://wagingpeace.org/about/people/advisory-council/former-napf-advisors/) (accessed: November 18, 2016): *"Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C. ... Ambassador Max Kampelman ... Honorable Claiborne Pell ... Elisabeth Kubler Ross ... Carl Sagan ... Jonathan Schell [fellow [The Nation Institute](#)] ... Jan Tinbergen ... Niko Tinbergen..."*
  - ▶ [wagingpeace.org/author/terrell-e-arnold/](http://wagingpeace.org/author/terrell-e-arnold/) (accessed: November 18, 2016): *"August 13, 2005. Seeing Our Way Out of Iraq During the past two weeks more than 30 American servicemen died in Iraq, and this month is shaping up to be the deadliest month..."* Arnold has been a [Rense](#) columnist since 2002 and, more importantly, co-wrote two books with Neil Livingstone in the 1980s (and was part of the Ted Shackley CIA group - much like Ellsberg actually). Livingstone was a CIA recruit of CIA counter-intelligence chief James Angleton (both on the board of the American Security Council) for the Israeli Desk. Livingstone has been a long-time private front for Iran Contra veterans, CIA directors as James Woolsey, as well as FBI directors.
- ▶ Officially listed as a sponsor of the [Peace Coalition](#), together with top superclass member Thomas Pickering and a bunch of "liberal CIA" activists, including 9/11 truther Richard Falk.
- ▶ Chomsky has been embraced by superclass-financed magazines and sites as [The Nation](#), [Mother Jones](#), [In These Times](#), [The Progressive](#), [Counterpunch](#), and [Truthout](#). Back in the 1960s he also contributed to the curious [Ramparts](#) magazine.

- ▶ The CIA-tied [Lannan Foundation](http://lannan.org/bios/noam-chomsky/) is a fan of Chomsky: [lannan.org/bios/noam-chomsky/](http://lannan.org/bios/noam-chomsky/).
- ▶ The Mossad and superclass-tied [Greg Palast](#), who is equally opposed to conspiracy theories, has referred to Noam Chomsky as his "*homie*".
- ▶ Signatory of the elite-dominated (including close Soros and Rockefeller allies) [Beckley Foundation](#) letter on drug and psychedelic reform.
- ▶ November 24, 2016, Noam Chomsky interview on Al Jazeera: "*[Noam Chomsky:] [Trump] certainly is off the spectrum. There has never been anything like it. ... He never held office [or] been interested in office. ... [Mehdi Hasan:] Some say, you predicted Donald Trump in 2010. ... You said, "Illegal immigrants and the blacks will be targeted" and, quote, "We will be told that whites are a persecuted minority. People will be beaten up and if it happens it will be more dangerous than [Nazi] Germany." You sound almost prophetic there. [Noam Chomsky:] Trump is not an idealist [like Hitler] ... but up to the last phrase the description is pretty accurate. ... And not just in the United States. If you look at the European reaction, every far right ultranationalist was greatly encouraged. Excited by his victory, thought it helped them. Whether he'll go in that direction, we don't know. ... [Mehdi Hasan:] Given the impending arrival of Donald Trump in office, some might say it is actually "I was a little hard on the people who came before Trump, because Bush, Reagan, Nixon, as bad as they were, they weren't on this Trump level of insanity." [Noam Chomsky:] Well, it may surprise you, but one of the presidents who worried me most was Kennedy. And, in fact, Kennedy brought us closer to nuclear destruction than anybody. Whether that will happen with Trump, we don't know.*"
- ▶ As stated, extremely opposed to JFK conspiracy theories and, bizarrely, has also painted Kennedy as an extremist.:
  - ▶ Chomsky wrote *Rethinking Camelot*, a 1993 book that tried to disprove the theory that Kennedy had any intention of withdrawing from Vietnam by casting him as an aggressive, violent right-winger of the exact same ilk as Ronald Reagan. Supposedly written by a moderate left-winger, the book is extremely vicious and irrational from beginning to end. Throughout the book one finds little sentences as "*Kennedy's war*", "*Kennedy's terrorist war*", "*Kennedy's CIA*" and "*Kennedy's incipient radicalism*".

As ISGP's [article on the Kennedy assassination](#) demonstrates, these arguments make no sense at all. Kennedy was anti-communist, but far from indifferent to

socialism and nationalism. He has virtually nothing in common with the ultraright, extremist Ronald Reagan.

- Chomsky is also extremely opposed to [9/11 Truth](#) (and, as a Jew, any criticism on the Israel lobby):

- Noam Chomsky on 9/11 (Youtube, 'Noam Chomsky Debunks 9/11 and JFK Murder', accessed: December 27, 2012): *"Every authoritarian regime [Russia; China; Indonesia; Israel] in the world gained from 9/11. ... The less violent ones, say like England or the United States or France, immediately impose what they call "protection against terrorism acts" of one kind or another. Which has nothing to do with terror but a lot to do with disciplining their own populations. ... Did [the Bush administration] plan it in any way or know about it? This is extremely unlikely. For one thing they had to be insane to try something like that. If they had, it is almost certain it would have leaked. It's a very poor system. Secrets are very hard to keep. So something would have leaked out very likely and if it had they would have had they would have all been before a firing squads and that would have been the end of the Republican Party forever. ... There's a big industry in the United States on the left as well - you should see some of the emails I get - ... that is trying to demonstrate - various books coming out, like best sellers in France and so on - that this was all fake, that it was planned by the Bush administration and so on. If you look at the evidence, anybody who knows anything about the sciences would instantly discount that evidence. ... Now, when you take a natural event, not something that is controlled [which also usually has a lot of unexplained aspects], most of it will be unexplained. ... And even it were true, who cares? I mean, it doesn't have any significance. It's a little bit like the huge energy that has been put out on trying to figure out who killed John F. Kennedy. Hmm, I mean, who knows? Who Cares? I mean, plenty of people get killed all the time. Why does it matter that one of them happened to be John F. Kennedy? If there was some reason to believe there was a high level conspiracy it might be interesting, but the evidence against that is overwhelming. And after that, if it happened to be a jealous husband, the mafia, what difference does it make? It's just taking energy away from serious issues..."*

- Noam Chomsky on 9/11 (Youtube, 'Noam Chomsky discusses 9\_11 Conspiracy Theorists', accessed: April 2, 2016): *"Very few of them are people with any record or involvement in political activism. You know, doing something. ... And you know, they have factoids too. Like, somebody found nanothermite - whatever the hell that is*

- is the bottom of Building 7. Or whatever, okay? ... I have no idea what it means or if it means anything. Now, the people who are writing about this, they are experts in physics and civil engineering on the basis of an hour on the internet. Okay? So you spend an hour on the internet and you become a super-expert in civil engineering and physics and you learn what nanothermite is and so on. ... They've managed to collect a very small scattering of architects and one or two people who are supposed to be scientists and a couple of others who write articles in the Journal of 9/11 Studies and maybe sometimes in an online journal somewhere. And so okay, that proves that the scientific world is with us. ... Huge efforts are going into this. Nothing is ever going to happen. They've tried it for seven years. They never indicted Bush. Of course, we're never going to. They'll go on for another 50 years, It's never going to have any effect. It does have an effect. It diverts a lot of energy from efforts to try and do something from, let's say, trying to stop the war in Iraq. ... They also feel extremely brave, because it's so risky to write a note on the internet saying "Bush is a really bad guy." Wow! You're practically in Guantanamo. ... Like, I would have never been rehired if I would have done that, teach courses about this [9/11 Truth] within my spare time. You know, you have some duties to the universities. ... So you feel like very brave and bold. And then come stories about the reasons why people like me don't go along. We're secret CIA agents. We're, I think the phrase is, "left gate keepers". The government inserts into the popular movement people who PRETEND to be critical. But they're REALLY gatekeepers. You know, they're just trying to the REAL criticism. Like, you know, Bush put the bombs in Building 7 and so on. And you can build up big stories like that and a lot of people believe them. ... But people who are, you know, kind of at a loss. You know, they don't trust anything. Rightly. They don't trust institutions. They think everybody is lying to them. ... Okay, these things have a certain appeal. ... Yeah, [the 30-40 percent of the population who believes Bush was somehow involved in 9/11] think they are run by a mass murderer who wants to kill the American people. Okay, let's go on to the next topic. I ask a lot of people that: "So you think we're being run by a maniac who wants to kill all the Americans? Why don't you do anything about it?" The answer is always the same: It's hopeless. There's nothing we can do. We're just victims of some powerful force. ... You have to say: "Look, there are things you can do about the real problems." ... Take the Israeli lobby story. It's extremely convenient to believe that the Israeli

*lobby controls the United States. First of all: "What can I do? The Jews are so powerful I can't do anything." The other thing is: It preserves American innocence. So we are the city on the hill. It's just that we are being led around by these Jews. What can we do? And in many ways it's a very attractive position. I mean, it falls apart as soon as you look at it, obviously, but it doesn't make any difference."*

- ▶ Because Chomsky is such an obvious JFK and 9/11 troll, we'll copy the following apparent sexual abuse report(s) about Chomsky:

- ▶ [ripoffreport.com/r/Noam-Chomsky/Cambridge-Massachusetts-02139/Noam-Chomsky-Is-A-Pedophile-Noam-Chomsky-Is-A-Pedophile-extortion-Cambridge-Massachusetts-429791](http://ripoffreport.com/r/Noam-Chomsky/Cambridge-Massachusetts-02139/Noam-Chomsky-Is-A-Pedophile-Noam-Chomsky-Is-A-Pedophile-extortion-Cambridge-Massachusetts-429791) (early 2009 report; accessed: April 3, 2016; "By consumers, for consumers... Don't let them get away with it!® Let the truth be known!™"): *"I am a student at MIT University (Massachusetts Institute of Technology). I am a full time student and i am so occupied with classes and therefore i have no time to find work. I asked around at the University if there are any partime jobs availabale so i can earn some extra income. I was told of one professor at the linguistics deptartment by the name of Noam Chomsky, who needed an office assistant becuase he was swamped with work. I went to see Professor Chomsky and he agreed to let me work for him part time to do office work. Everday after class i went to his office to organize his files, stack his papaers and help him out with his computer. The deal was that every two weeks he would pay me \$300. The day he was suppose to get paid i came into work that day and began organizing professor chomsky's files, he came in and put his chair in front of mine. He started telling me how he enjoyed having me around to work for him and how i am the best assistant he ever had. The he proceeded to ask me why i dont have a girlfriend, and telling me how a beautiful boy like me shoud have one. He then started touching my foot with his foot, and then told me he would pay me extra if I helped him out with something else, I asked "what?" and he told me "he would pay me extra if i agreed to perform oral sex on him." I replied "no", but because i needed the money i told him "no" in a nice way, instead of barging out. I went back to continue working on his computer, then i went into the bathroom for a minute, when i came back his door was closed, i knocked and he told me to come in, when i came in and opened the door his pant were down. And he said that i aint getting paid anything unless i perform the oral sex on him. I barged out this time. I was so sickened by him that*

*i refused to see him ever again, and i screen his calls, or try to even persue my \$300. I complained to MIT but so far no action has been taken. Noam Chomsky Institute Professor & Professor of Linguistics (Emeritus) Linguistic Theory, Syntax, Semantics, Philosophy of Language MIT Linguistics and Philosophy 77 Massachusetts Avenue, 32-D808 Cambridge, MA 02139 USA Office Number: 32-D840 email: chomsky@mit.edu tel: 617-253-7819 Unfortunatley this type of stuff happens a lot and professors are allowed to get away with this. Jerrry Cambridge, Massachusetts U.S.A.*

*[REPLY 1:] #2 UPDATE EX-employee responds Not Suprising AUTHOR: Jane - (United States of America) SUBMITTED: Saturday, January 23, 2010 I used to work at MIT, and I must say, after reading this blog I am not surprised, not even a bit. Chomsky would always hire all these high school boys, who were in the 12th and 11th grade to work for him as assistants. I and many other members of the faculty and staff of MIT would always wonder why he would constantly surround himself with all these young boys. We would also regularly witness him strolling with them on that boardwalk on Memorial drive, alongside the Charles River.*

*[REPLY 2:] Please read AUTHOR: Mariane - (USA) SUBMITTED: Monday, October 26, 2009 Many years ago a friend of mine who attended MIT confided in me some traumatic events he suffered at the hands of Professor Noam Chomsky. He recanted how Chomsky would always want to spend time with him, and how he would always call him on the phone at his dorm (this was before cell phones existed). He would tell me of how Chomsky would always take him to his house and grope him and try to kiss him (it was no secret Chomsky's lust for boys, a lot of people knew about it). I remember in specific, of one traumatic experience he had with Chomsky, in which he refused to talk about, and he locked himself up in his room for 2 days. He swore me to secrecy, out of the fears that if this would be made public, he would risk loosing his scholarship. He also suffered from depression before and after these events. A few years later he hung himself. Till this day I am convinced that those events were one of the factors which led to his suicide.*

*[REPLY 3:] Not a Credible Story AUTHOR: Linda - (U.S.A.) SUBMITTED: Saturday, March 14, 2009 I am not buying it and believe this is a joke/hoax. An MIT student would have better grammar. Please be aware that you are opening yourself up to libel and slander if what is being posted is not true."*



► [inaugurauction.org/themessage.asp?DetailID=146](http://inaugurauction.org/themessage.asp?DetailID=146) (accessed: March 5, 2002): *"The Justice Action Movement presents: InaugurAUCTION.org... 'A Call to Demonstrate on January 20' ... On January 20, the day of George Bush's inauguration, activists from around the country will be converging on Washington, DC, to let him know that we won't go back to the politics of the Reagan era and that he does not have a mandate for his policies attacking poor and working people. We should all be there. ...*

*Protestors can let the incoming administration know that they will not stand for any restrictions on women's access to abortion, the further expansion of prisons and repressive crime laws, the use of the death penalty, limits on the rights of workers to organize, attacks on gays and lesbians, scapegoating of immigrants, or sanctions on Iraq.*

*Signed, Howard Zinn ... Noam Chomsky ... [Barbara Ehrenreich](#) ... Norman Solomon..."*

## Ramsey Clark

► Son of Tom Clark: Law degree from the University of Texas School of Law. Brother of Delta Tau Delta fraternity, and later served as their international president (1966-1968). Dallas, Texas-based lawyer. United States Attorney General from 1945 to 1949 under Harry Truman. Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1949 to 1967

► 1989, John H. Davis, 'Mafia Kingfish: Carlos Marcello and the assassination of John F. Kennedy', pp. 139, 338: *"[CIA-allied mafia boss Carlos] Marcello secured the protection and cooperation of Texas politicians through Carlos' Texan bagman, Jack Halfen, who contributed a healthy percentage of the Marcellos' illegal profits to the political campaigns of Houston Congressman Albert Thomas, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court Tom Clark, and U.S. Senator Lyndon B. Johnson. ...*

*And, according to Justice of the Supreme Court Tom Clark, Hoover once told him: "I'm not going to send the FBI in every time some nigger woman gets raped.""*

► United States Attorney General 1967-1969 under LBJ. Supervised the drafting of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and Civil Rights Act of 1968 for black people. No evidence that Clark ever was against the Vietnam War during his term in office. During his term in office, he also prosecuted the "Boston Five", a group of Vietnam War opponents who, somewhat predictably, were both CIA and "liberal CIA" (William Sloan Coffin, Jr. and Marcus Raskin in particular). Within a few years, Clark became a good friend of them.

► Nov.-Dec. 2003, [legalaaffairs.org](http://legalaaffairs.org), 'Ramsey Clark's

Prosecution Complex; How did Lyndon Johnson's attorney general come to defend dictators, war criminals, and terrorists?': *"Clark says now that he opposed the Vietnam War and claims that Johnson was aware of his views. But if Johnson knew, no one else seemed to, and Clark appears to have been far from vocal about his antiwar stance. In Dean Rusk's memoirs, the former secretary of state mentions that he sat next to Clark in cabinet meetings for years and never heard him express opposition to the war. Nor did the activist community think of Clark as an antiwar figure. Coffin, who is now 79 years old, said that he "had not heard that Clark was opposed to the war." Foley agreed that Clark "wasn't known at all among peace activists as being opposed to the war." ...*

*The Johnson White House was sharply divided over the war, and Clark admits that he was at the time uncharacteristically willing to keep his opinions to himself. Robert McNamara, the secretary of defense (who would later regret having escalated the war), asked Clark to talk with McNamara's children because they respected the A.G.'s opinion. "I tried to explain to them that their daddy is doing his duty and that it's a difficult situation," Clark said. ...*

*If he was privately opposed to the war, though, why did he prosecute protesters? ... "I feel strongly that the law has to have integrity," he said, sounding more like an attorney general than an antigovernment radical."*

- ▶ Nov.-Dec. 2003, legalaffairs.org, 'Ramsey Clark's Prosecution Complex; How did Lyndon Johnson's attorney general come to defend dictators, war criminals, and terrorists?': *"In 1968, Clark oversaw the prosecution of the pediatrician Dr. Benjamin Spock [Yale], Yale chaplain [William Sloane Coffin Jr.](#) [CIA; brought into Skull & Bones by his buddy George H. W. Bush], and three other men accused of conspiring to undermine the Selective Service laws. The charge was "conspiracy to aid and abet draft resistance," though the five, called the Boston Five because they were tried in federal court there, had never been in the same room together before the trial. Coffin was the only defendant who even knew all of the others. ... Many activists saw it as the first attempt to decimate the antiwar intelligentsia."*
- ▶ January 10, 2005, Observer, 'Ramsey Clark: Why I'm Taking Saddam's Case': *"I personally authorized the case against William Sloane Coffin, who came down to marry our son a few years later. I visited him and stayed in his home in '69, at Yale. Dr. Spock I became very close friends with. And I really haven't had regrets about the*

*case. I think the government has the duty to protect laws..."*

- ▶ Taught law courses at the Howard University School of Law (1969-1972) and Brooklyn Law School (1973-1981). In 1974 he ran for U.S. Senator from New York, but lost to the sitting, Republican opponent, Jacob Javits. By the early 1970s he had become a leading anti-Vietnam War activist and also became a champion for all "oppressed" people around the world. Unfortunately, in the process, he has been defending every enemy of the West, including all kinds of dictatorships and mass murderers.

- ▶ August 24, 1972, New York Times, 'V.F.W. Urges Prosecution Of Clark and Miss Fonda': *"Miss [Jane] Fonda ["Hanoi Jane"] and Mr. Clark both visited North Vietnam recently and criticized American bombing of North Vietnamese dikes."*

- ▶ Nov.-Dec. 2003, legalaffairs.org, 'Ramsey Clark's Prosecution Complex; How did Lyndon Johnson's attorney general come to defend dictators, war criminals, and terrorists?': *"In 1971, he successfully represented the Alaska Federation of Natives in the largest lands dispute claim in U.S. government history. Clark helped negotiate a record \$962.5 million settlement. ...*

*After the Reagan Administration bombed Tripoli in 1986, Clark met with Libyan leader Moammar Qaddafi and later filed an (unsuccessful) lawsuit against the U.S. and British governments on behalf of the Libyan civilians killed and wounded in the attack. In 1995, he was part of a team that defended Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman, the blind Muslim cleric eventually convicted of seditious conspiracy in the 1993 World Trade Center bombing. This summer, he filed a motion in a suit brought by the surviving Branch Davidians against the U.S. government for damages suffered in the Waco showdown, which he called "the greatest failure of law enforcement in the domestic history of the United States." ...*

*After Sept. 11, when Iraqi deputy prime minister Tariq Aziz wrote a letter to express his condolences "to the families of the victims of those events," he mailed it to Ramsey Clark."*

- ▶ June 21, 1999, Salon, 'Ramsey Clark, the war criminal's best friend; The former U.S. attorney general has become the tool of left-wing cultists who defend Slobodan Milosevic, Saddam Hussein and Rwandan torturers as anti-imperialist heroes.': *"In Grenada he went to advise Bernard Coard, the murderer of Prime Minister Maurice Bishop. Other clients include Radovan Karadzic, the indicted Bosnian Serbian war criminal whom he defended in a New York civil suit brought by Bosnian*

*rape victims, and the Rwandan pastor who is accused of telling Tutsis to hide in his church and then summoning Hutus to massacre them, and then leading killing squads. ... In his defense of Rwanda genocide indictee Pastor Elizaphan Ntakirutimana, for instance, he played to U.S. isolationist sentiment... [Clark] no longer carries water for the equally oddball Lyndon LaRouche, with whom he flirted in the '80s. ...*

*At the end of 1998 Clark attended a human rights conference in Baghdad, Iraq, where in his keynote speech he pointed out how "the governments of the rich nations, primarily the United States, England and France," dominated the wording of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights...*

*Many of these political anomalies make sense in light of his role as the figurehead for the International Action Center, which in turn is the front for the Workers World Party [which] split from the Socialist Workers Party many decades ago in support of the Soviet invasion of Hungary in 1956, and it has remained true to its origins. Oddball [WWP] Trotskyists morphed to Stalinoids, its members have since then supported the Chinese government over Tiananmen Square -- and of course see the current incumbents in Belgrade and Baghdad as staunch anti-imperialists..."*

- ▶ Ramsey Clark maintained countless elite ties in the 1970s and 1980s, before joining the [Stalinist Workers World Party and heading its International Action Center](#):
- ▶ Back in the 1970s Clark sat on the board of the [Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions](#). This group was founded by [Ford Foundation](#) associate director, with Stewart Mott, founder of the multi-billionaire "liberal CIA" [Mott Foundation](#), besides him on the board. Leading Zionist superclass member Philip Klutznick (CFR, CCFT, Atlantic Council, Ditchley, etc.) was another board member.
- ▶ Back in the 1970s and 1980s (based on 1976 and 1986 annual reports) Clark sat on the board of the even more elite [African-America Institute](#), which saw its CIA financing being taken over by Rockefeller, Ford and Carnegie foundations. Rockefeller Brothers Fund president and vice chair Dana Creel was trustee chair. Diamond trader Maurice Tempelsman sat on the board. Rockefeller Foundation trustee, Bilderberg and Trilateral Commission member, and close Clinton advisor Vernon Jordan was among the more important fellow advisory board members of Clark at the AAI. Philip Klutznick also sat on the board of the AAI. By the 1980s Clark was joined by David Rockefeller daughter Peggy Dulany Rockefeller, top new age globalist Maurice Strong. Advisors: John Brademas
- ▶ Key founder in 1975 and key advisory board member of the

Inner City Roundtable of Youth in Manhattan, a strange project that brought together the heads of all New York City's youth gangs in an effort to turn members of all these gangs into productive members of society. In this respect also seen the Rockefeller-NYC mayor's office ties to the [Five Percent Nation](#) gang in Harlem that "kept the peace" between various gangs here.

- ▶ [legacy.lib.utexas.edu](http://legacy.lib.utexas.edu), Briscoe Center for American History, The University of Texas in Austin, 'A Guide to the Field Foundation [took CIA money] Archives, Part 2': *"box 2R378: ... Inner City Roundtable of Youth, 1976-1980."*
- ▶ August 2, 1977, Executive Intelligence Review, 'Ramsey Clark Ran NYC Riots For The Carter White House'. Ties the group to Ford Foundation operations and the like, voter registration schemes, and possibly early antifa-type activity. A board membership is listed: the directors consist of 44 gang bosses; the advisory board of 4 individuals, with Ramsey Clark by far the most important. In order to initiate any project, both the directors/gang leaders and the advisory board/Ramsey Clark had to agree. A still emerging journalist Geraldo Rivera was on the advisory board with Clark.
- ▶ February 21, 1977, Las Vegas Sun: *"Two years ago. if George Serrano, leader of the Bronx "Chingalings." had run into Ak-bar, president of the Brooklyn Tomahawks on the street, they would have been at war. Now the two young men who represent two of the largest youth gangs in the city, meet regularly with the leaders of 49 other city youth gangs to discuss projects like escorting elderly citizens, patrolling neighborhoods and renovating abandoned houses. The gang leaders, who have been coming together for a year and a half through the Inner City Roundtable of Youth, represent between 12.000 and 14.000 youths who are members or their "families," as they call them. The leaders who meet through the organization do not maintain that their gangs no longer fight each other, but through the roundtable meeting they have begun to cooperate with one another on the project's programs, and are attempting to minimize the criminal activity of their "family" members.*  
*Officers in the police department's Youth Aid Division say they are not familiar enough with the organization to judge the effectiveness of its programs. But the chairman of the city's Youth Board is openly skeptical. "I'd feel very uncomfortable having gang members escorting people — these are the same people attacking elderly citizens," said Jerome M. Becker, when informed of the escort service. "No old ladies I know would want to be escorted by them."*

*Some city officials, like Judge Bruce McM. Wright of the civil court who is on the group's board, feel differently. "A lot of elderly citizens were very skeptical about being escorted by gang members at first," he said. "Now some of the most skeptical elderly women don't want the escort service to stop. Those kids have a lot of credibility as bodyguards in tougher neighborhoods." ...*

*The roundtable is made up of two boards, the roundtable of gang leaders and a board of public officials and private citizens. All projects and actions must be approved by both boards. Ramsey Clark and City Clerk David N. Dinkins, are among the organization's advisers."*

### **Alexander Cockburn**

- ▶ British Oxford-educated aristocrat who became a leading left-wing journalist in the United States. Close friend of [Noam Chomsky](#). Has written for [Harper's](#), [The Nation](#) and other left-wing media outlets. Despite being a left-winger who criticizes all forms of U.S. imperialism, Cockburn is equally and harshly dismissive when it comes to JFK and 9/11 conspiracy theories. However, at the same time he has allowed high-level former CIA officers and 9/11 Truth disinformers to write for his magazine. For more details on Cockburn and his two brothers, see [Counterpunch](#) magazine.

### **William Sloane Coffin, Jr.**

- ▶ Son of a president of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Yale Skull & Bones, brought in through his friend, George H. W. Bush. As Yale chaplain 1958-1975, Coffin organized busloads of (black) Freedom Riders to challenge segregation laws in the South and recruited hundreds of "new left" activists. Joined the Peace Corps in 1961. Joined SANE: The Committee for a SANE Nuclear Policy in 1962. Hosted the Rockefeller-backed [Martin Luther King Jr.](#), South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Nelson Mandela at protests/speeches. Close ally of [Howard Zinn](#), appearing on-stage with him. Member of anti-war group RESIST, along with [Noam Chomsky](#) and the "Boston Five", including Dr. Benjamin Spock. Convicted as a member of the "Boston Five" in 1968, being prosecuted by [Ramsey Clark](#), but sentence overturned in 1970.

### **Francis Ford Coppola**

- ▶ See ISGP's "[Liberal CIA](#)" [article on Hollywood](#).

## Barbara Ehrenreich

- ▶ Ph.D in cellular immunology from Rockefeller University in 1968. Her articles have appeared in the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, Atlantic Monthly, [Mother Jones](#), [The Nation](#), [The New Republic](#), [Salon.com](#), the New Statesman, [In These Times](#), [The Progressive](#) and other publications.
- ▶ Leading atheist and feminist. 1990, Barbara Ehrenrich, 'The Worst Years of Our Lives': *"The one regret I have about my own abortions is that they cost money that might otherwise have been spent on something more pleasurable, like taking the kids to movies and theme parks."*
- ▶ Involved in [The Progressive's](#) Progressive Media Project. Editorial Board of [The Nation](#). Served on the editorial board of [Mother Jones](#) and already back in 1980 an important contributor to the magazine. Served as contributing editor to Harper's. Advisory committee of Fairness and Accuracy In Reporting (FAIR), which is also massively financed by the major foundations.
- ▶ Received a [Ford Foundation](#) award for humanistic perspectives on contemporary society (1982), a Guggenheim Fellowship (1987–88) and a grant for research and writing from the [John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#) (1995).
- ▶ Director of [National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws \(NORML\)](#).
- ▶ The Rockefeller-Soros-Ford Foundation-funded [Institute for Policy Studies](#) hired her as a scholar in 1999: [ips-dc.org/projects/senior](#) (accessed: January 4, 2006): *"In late 1999, IPS began assembling a network of well-known progressive scholars and theoreticians to enlarge and enrich the Institute's work. ... Senior Scholars participate through periodic gatherings, collaborations with existing IPS projects, and a worldwide electronic network, and have access to office space at IPS when in Washington. IPS Senior Scholars 2002: ... Noam Chomsky ... Barbara Ehrenreich ... [9/11 Truther and no-planer] Richard Falk ..."* Later became a trustee of IPS.
- ▶ Supporter of [Ralph Nader](#) in 2000, John Kerry in 2004 and Barack Obama in 2008.

## Daniel Ellsberg

- ▶ Former hard-right CIA asset of the notorious Ted Shackley group in Vietnam (which had killed [JFK](#) and was deeply involved in drug trafficking) before leaking the Pentagon Papers in 1971 and becoming a life-long champion of left-wing



socialist causes.

► March 8, 2003, Douglas Valentine for [Counterpunch](#), 'Will the Real Daniel Ellsberg Please Stand Up!': This Article details Ellsberg Vietnam War mentors and close friends as CIA and army special operations warfare specialist (and American Security Council favorite) General Edward Lansdale, CIA station chief John Hart, CIA death squad leader Frank Scotton, notorious CIA drug smuggler Lucien Conein and Ellsberg's run ins with Corsican drug smugglers that were working with the CIA. The article reads: *"This is where The Discrepancy reaches critical mass, for Ellsberg denies that his CIA mentor, Edward Lansdale, or his CIA friends, Lou Conein and Frank Scotton, were involved with Corsican drug smugglers. Recapping: McCoy claims that Conein arranged a "truce" with the Corsican gangsters over drug smuggling in South Vietnam; Conein denied the allegation and said the meeting concerned Ellsberg's affair with Germaine [over which a Corsican drug smuggler wanted to kill him]; and Ellsberg denies (1) that Conein and Scotton intervened on his behalf, and (2) that Conein, Lansdale and Scotton were involved with drug smugglers. Who is telling the truth? Could a CIA officer with a photographic memory not be aware that his colleagues were involved with drug smugglers? Or is McCoy's research fatally flawed? Did the alleged "truce" occur? Was the good professor, who has prompted so many people to question the CIA's role in international drug smuggling, misled by dirty trickster Conein. Was the ulterior motive to move McCoy toward the Corsicans and away from the CIA's unilateral drug smuggling operation? Thinking the Unthinkable It was 1970 when the mainstream American press first reported the CIA's involvement in international drug trafficking, and it was 1970 when the U.S. Senate launched a potentially explosive investigation into the CIA's Phoenix "assassination" Program, a special unit of which was providing security for the CIA's unilateral drug smuggling operation. The House of Representatives launched deeper probes into CIA drug smuggling and the CIA's Phoenix Program in early 1971, and, naturally, the CIA at this critical time took extensive countermeasures in a concerted effort to conceal these facts. What is relevant to the discrepancy is the that in June 1971, Daniel Ellsberg leaked the aptly named Pentagon Papers, shifting blame for the increasingly unpopular Vietnam War from the CIA to the military, while distracting public attention from the investigations of the CIA's Phoenix Program and the CIA's involvement in drug smuggling. Ellsberg is aware of the*



*rumor that Conein and Scotton asked him to leak the Pentagon Papers as part of the CIA's disinformation campaign. But he shrugs off the insidious rumor as yet another instance of CIA disinformation designed to cast doubt on his motives for leaking The Pentagon Papers. While it is definitely politically incorrect within what passes nowadays for the New Left to even make the suggestion, is it unthinkable that Ellsberg might have suffered such a whisper campaign in order to prevent his CIA friends from being indicted for drug smuggling and mass murder?"*

- ▶ Old friend of Pentagon Papers co-author [Morton Halperin](#), a key "new left" elitist who has been working for George Soros' [Open Society Foundations](#) since 2002.
- ▶ In 2008 [Noam Chomsky](#), fellow Liberal CIA asset Daniel Ellsberg, and antifa chieftain [Howard Zinn](#) came to the aid of the Albert Einstein Institution (AEI) of Gene Sharp in a "holding the line" effort of the "new left" "progressive" (media and activist) network when it started picking up on accusations that the AEI might be involved in left-wing "soft coups". No matter what the truth, Gene Sharp is the most closely associated with Harvard's Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, co-founded by Henry Kissinger and McGeorge Bundy, with people like Zbigniew Brzezinski (early recruit; IAC anno 1998) and Samuel Huntington (exec. anno 1998) on various boards.
- ▶ In 2012 a co-founder of the [Freedom of the Press Foundation](#) in support of [Wikileaks](#), NSA whistleblower William Binney and soon also Edward Snowden, who also joined the board. The foundation is backed by the [Foundation for National Progress](#), which controls [Mother Jones](#) magazine and in turn is massively financed by foundations as [Ford](#), [MacArthur](#), [Rockefeller](#), [Soros](#), [Hewlett](#), [Packard](#) and others.
- ▶ Member of the advisory council of the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation (NAPF), together with [Noam Chomsky](#) and liberal elites as [Ted Turner](#), Archbishop Desmond Tutu (also of the [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#)), Jean Goodall (also of the [State of the World Forum](#), like many others here), the Dalai Lama, Queen Noor of Jordan and the more right-wing Max Kampelman, as well as suspected MKULTRA veteran Robert Jay Lifton. Even reincarnation researcher Elizabeth Kubler Ross used to be a member of the council. See Chomsky's bio for sources.
- ▶ Ellsberg is rather skeptical of 9/11:
  - ▶ February 1, 2007 YouTube upload, '9/11 Truth - Ellen Mariani's Letter & Daniel Ellsberg questi [sic]', words of Daniel Ellsberg: *"The president's bizarre behavior which I saw on video when he was told the truth of this and he continued for 10 minutes or more to reading these grade*

*school children is a-typical. ... It is possible to also have the hypothesis of a great series of incompetences and inattention, but it doesn't really fully explain everything by any means to me. It's not satisfactory. A friend of mine, David McMichael of the CIA once said: "I'm not a believer in a conspiracy theory, but I am no longer a believer in the coincidence theory." And there are an awful lot of -- I've seen too many coincidences in this."*

- ▶ November 19, 2007, Bradblog.com, 'EXCLUSIVE: Daniel Ellsberg Says Sibel Edmonds Case 'Far More Explosive Than Pentagon Papers': *"I'd say what [Sibel Edmonds] has is far more explosive than the Pentagon Papers," Daniel Ellsberg told us in regard to former FBI translator turned whistleblower Sibel Edmonds. "From what I understand, from what she has to tell, it has a major difference from the Pentagon Papers in that it deals directly with criminal activity and may involve impeachable offenses," Ellsberg explained. "And I don't necessarily mean the President or the Vice-President, though I wouldn't be surprised if the information reached up that high. But other members of the Executive Branch may be impeached as well. And she says similar about Congress." ... Ellsberg seemed hardly surprised that today's American mainstream broadcast media has so far failed to take Edmonds up on her offer, despite the blockbuster nature of her allegations. As Edmonds has also noted, Ellsberg pointed to the New York Times, who "sat on the NSA spying story for over a year" when they "could have put it out before the 2004 election, which might have changed the outcome." "There will be phone calls going out to the media saying 'don't even think of touching it, you will be prosecuted for violating national security,'" he told us. ... "The media called from Japan and France and Belgium and Germany and Canada and from all over the world," [Edmonds] told The BRAD BLOG. "But not from here?" we asked incredulously. ... An Iranian-born American citizen, the linguistics expert Edmonds has been described by the [American Civil Liberties Union \(ACLU\)](#) as "the most gagged person in the history of the United States of America" since filing her original complaints at the FBI, where she had been hired in late 2001 to translate a backlog of pre-9/11 wiretaps. She has previously indicated a litany of criminal corruption, malfeasance, and cover-ups concerning the penetration of the FBI and Departments of State and Defense by foreign agents in senior positions; influence-peddling and bribery by shadowy Turkish interests throughout the U.S. government over several administrations; undisclosed information related to 9/11... Her extraordinary story was*

*first aired by CBS's 60 Minutes in 2002 (and re-run twice thereafter), and via a detailed 2005 exposé in Vanity Fair. ..."*

- ▶ Daniel Ellsberg is a member of the rather elite National Security Whistleblowers Coalition (NSWC), founded by Sibel Edmonds in 2004. Among the members is also [Colonel Karen Kwiatkowski](#), a former speechwriter for the NSA director and anti-neocon Pentagon staffer who was a founding member of Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity (VIPS) and, most worryingly, has been making the claim that a missile must have hit the Pentagon on 9/11. Former CIA analyst and 9/11 truther Ray McGovern is another member.
- ▶ Daniel Ellsberg appeared in the 2004 documentary *Hijacking Catastrophe*, along with [Noam Chomsky](#), Scott Ritter, no-planer Kwiatkowski. [hijackingcatastrophe.org](http://hijackingcatastrophe.org) (accessed: October 10, 2004): *"Hijacking Catastrophe: 9/11, Fear & the Selling of American Empire examines how a radical fringe of the Republican Party used the trauma of the 9/11 terror attacks to advance a pre-existing agenda to radically transform American foreign policy while rolling back civil liberties and social programs at home. The documentary places the Bush administration's false justifications for war in Iraq within the larger context of a two-decade struggle by neoconservatives to dramatically increase military spending in the wake of the cold war, and to expand American power globally by means of military force. At the same time, the documentary argues that the Bush administration has sold this radical and controversial plan for aggressive American military intervention by deliberately manipulating intelligence, political imagery, and the fears of the American people after 9/11. Narrated by Julian Bond, Hijacking Catastrophe features interviews with more than twenty prominent political observers, including Pentagon whistleblower Lt. Colonel Karen Kwiatkowski, who witnessed first-hand how the Bush administration set up a sophisticated propaganda operation to link the anxieties generated by 9/11 to a pre-existing foreign policy agenda that included a preemptive war on Iraq."*

### **Senator Mike Gravel**

- ▶ Speaker of the Alaska House of Representatives 1965-1967. Democrat senator from Alaska 1969-1981. Insignificant presidential candidate in 2008. Added the most complete version of Daniel Ellsberg's Pentagon Papers to the

Congressional Record in 1971 (ordered to be produced by Rockefeller ally, Pilgrims Society member, Ford Foundation trustee and Ford Motors company president Robert McNamara, who earlier had been JFK and LBJ's secretary of defense). This version was edited by CIA/"liberal CIA" assets [Howard Zinn](#) and [Noam Chomsky](#), with them adding a few additional chapters explaining the background of the papers.

- ▶ In recent years became a raging conspiracy disinformant with regard to Holocaust denial, 9/11 and UFO disclosure, basically ousting him as yet another CIA operative:
  - ▶ In 2003, Gravel [was part of](#) the Holocaust-denial annual conference of The Barnes Review, together with boatloads of 9/11-no-planer conspiracy Nazis, the pro-Nazi Eustace Mullins, and Mel Gibson's conspiracy disinformation-pushing father, Hutton.
  - ▶ Involved with the short-lived, 9/11-no-planer-dominated Intelligence Officers for 9/11 Truth anno 2010: [io911truth.com/people/all](#) (accessed: May 13, 2010): "[\[9/11-no-planer and MI5 disinformant\] Annie Machon ... \[9/11-no-planer\] Bill Christison worked for the CIA for over 28 years, from 1950 to 1979. He was an analyst on Soviet affairs early in his career, and later served in both Germany and Vietnam. In the 1970s, he served as a National Intelligence Officer \(principal advisor to the Director of Central Intelligence\) for Southeast Asia, South Asia, and Africa. In his final position, he was the Director of the CIA's Office of Regional and Political Analysis, an office of over 200 persons with experts on all nations, regions, and global problems of the world. ... \[\"Liberal CIA\" asset\] Wayne Madsen... Terrell E Arnold \[top CIA asset and Colonel Oliver North associate Terry Arnold \(who began writing for pro-Nazi conspiracy disinformation outlet \[Rense.com\]\(#\)\)\]... Senator Mike Gravel...](#)"
  - ▶ May 3, 2013, Yahoo, 'Out there: Former Sen. Mike Gravel says White House suppressing evidence of ETs': "[Gravel \(D-Alaska\) says the White House has helped keep the truth about the \"extraterrestrial influence that is investigating our planet\" from the public. ... Gravel is one of six former congress representatives who were paid \\$20,000 by the UFO advocacy group Paradigm Research \[Group of the initially John Mack/Laurance Rockefeller-employed \(at PEER\) Stephen Bassett, a long-time Coast to Coast AM-linked UFO disinformant\] to participate in a Congressional-style Citizen Hearing on Disclosure in Washington this week.](#)"
- ▶ Senator Mike Gravel is an anti-Trump propagandist and very pro-Third World immigration:
  - ▶ September 5, 2018 tweet of @MikeGravel: "[Nixon hated me. He talks about me on some of his tapes regarding @DanielEllsberg and the Pentagon Papers. With that](#)

*background, I'll add: Trump at his best is more tempestuous, more paranoid, and more dangerous than Nixon at his worst."*

- ▶ November 2, 2007, latinalista.com, 'Guest Voz: Senator Mike Gravel Declares: Latino Immigrants are America's New Scapegoats' (words of Gravel): *"I'm going to take the opportunity to tell you what no other politician has the guts to say. Right now, Latino immigrants are America's new scapegoats. I tell this to audiences around the country. Do you think it's a coincidence that our nation is in such a mess and our leaders are suddenly worried about undocumented workers? Our schools are failing [note: largely due to Third World immigration], we are in a disastrous war in Iraq, we have 2 million people in prison [note: largely due to Third World immigration, with especially blacks having vastly higher crime numbers], our healthcare system is spinning out of control [note: largely due to Third World immigration, which costs the state enormous amounts of funds], and our economy is on the verge of collapse [note: largely also due to corruption and the War on Terror]. But our so-called leaders can't stop talking about 'border security'?"*

*It's time to get real. Like all immigrants, Latinos have made our country stronger. And we need to bring them into the system - not throw them out and bar the door. We need an amnesty program so that all undocumented workers can be registered and protected. We should no longer tolerate the underground economy that allows employers to avoid social security taxes and abuse their workers. We need to get real about the "war on drugs," which is really a war on Latinos. Latinos accounted for nearly half - 43 percent - of those convicted of federal drug offenses in 2000 [with only 12.5% Latino population, making them 3.5x as criminal in this regard]. It's time we stop the self-defeating drug war and devote those billions of dollars to treatment and education.*

*Whenever I say these things during the debates, the press calls me crazy. NBC even shut me out of the last debate because I've been challenging Hillary Clinton for supporting Bush's warmongering against Iran."*

## **Morton Halperin**

- ▶ Well-known civil rights champion, but with a very elite background.
- ▶ [linkedin.com/in/morton-halperin-36298a15](https://www.linkedin.com/in/morton-halperin-36298a15) (accessed: April 4, 2016): *"Morton H. Halperin: ...*  
*- Senior advisor, [Open Society Foundations](#), 2002 – Present (14 years) ...*

- Senior VP, Center for American Progress, January 2003 – December 2005 (3 years) ...
- Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, January 2001 – December 2002 (2 years) ...
- Director Policy Planning Staff, U.S. Department of State, December 1998 – January 2001 (2 years 2 months) ...
- Senior Vice President, The Century Foundation, January 1997 – December 1998 (2 years) ...
- Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, January 1996 – December 1998 (3 years) ...
- Senior Director for Democracy, United States National Security Council, January 1994 – December 1996 (3 years). Managing national security issues including US-Cuban policy. ...
- Baker Professor of International Affairs, George Washington University, September 1992 – June 1994 (1 year 10 months). ...
- Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, November 1992 – January 1994 (1 year 3 months).
- Consultant, United States Department of Defense, January 1993 – December 1993 (1 year), Washington D.C. Metro Area. Providing advise to the Secretary of Defense on key security issues including PeaceKeeping and democracy promotion. ...
- Director, Washington Office, ACLU, January 1984 – November 1992 (8 years 11 months). ...
- Director, [Center for National Security Studies](#) [closely tied to the [Institute for Policy Studies](#)], January 1977 – November 1992 (15 years 11 months). ...
- Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution, October 1969 – December 1973 (4 years 3 months). ...
- Director of Policy Planning, NSC staff White House USG, January 1969 – November 1969 (11 months). ...
- Council on Foreign Relations, Starting May 1968 [membership]...
- Deputy Assistant Secretary, United States Department of Defense, April 1967 – January 1969 (1 year 10 months). ...
- Assistant Professor and Research Associate, Harvard University, September 1960 – August 1966 (6 years). ...
- Yale University, PhD, International Relations, 1958 – 1961. ...
- Columbia College, BA, Government, 1954 – 1958."

### **Dahr Jamail**

- ▶ Relatively famous independent (instead of imbedded) Iraq reporter 2003-2005 who at the same time was an anti-Iraq War activist.
- ▶ Long-time contributor to the pro-Nazi conspiracy theory [Rense.com](#) website and a Rense radio guest.
- ▶ May 30, 2006, Rense.com, 'Countless US My Lai Massacres in

Iraq': *"Dahr Jamail is an independent journalist who spent over 8 months reporting from occupied Iraq. He presented evidence of US war crimes in Iraq at the International Commission of Inquiry on Crimes Against Humanity Committed by the Bush Administration in New York City in January 2006. He writes regularly for TruthOut, Inter Press Service, Asia Times and TomDispatch, and maintains his own web site, dahrjamailiraq.com."*

- ▶ Regularly awarded by [Project Censored](#);
- ▶ Frequent [Truthout](#) reporter 2008-2011, 2014-;
- ▶ Reporter Al Jazeera;
- ▶ Contributor [Huffington Post](#);
- ▶ Frequent guest [Democracy Now!](#)
- ▶ Has been a guest of [Alex Jones](#) Show and Russia Today.
- ▶ Later in life a doomsday-ish [Climate Change](#) reporter who not only focuses on the CO2 problem, but also methane.

## Van Jones

- ▶ High-level "liberal CIA" asset who shows up everywhere in ISGP research.
- ▶ From Tennessee. Black Panther-reading, combat boots-wearing student at Yale Law School, who graduated in 1993. As a Harvard law student, he aided in the Rodney King Trial in 1992-1993. In a San Francisco jail in 1993 with countless black communist-oriented activists, where he himself turned communist. Co-founder in San Francisco in 1994 of Standing Together to Organize a Revolutionary Movement (STORM), which studied the *"theories of Marx and Lenin and dreamed of a multiracial socialist utopia"*. (read: multiracial communist utopia). Founder Bay Area PoliceWatch in 1995. Founder Ella Baker Center in Oakland, California in 1996, which very early on already received financing from [George Soros' Open Society Institute](#) and the certainly by the 2000s also from the [Ford Foundation](#). Started to incorporate environmentalism in his activism.
  - ▶ November 2, 2005, East Bay Express, 'The New Face of Environmentalism': *"Van Jones, a tall, dark-skinned man wearing a "Kanye was right" T-shirt under his black blazer, seemed to have little in common with his audience of predominately white hippies. ... [But] the activists hung on Jones' words, captivated by the potential that he described within each of them. ... He bowed his head [after his speech], and was greeted with whistles, hoots, and applause. Half the audience leapt to its feet. ... A woman turned to her companion and asked, "Where did this guy come from again?"*  
*Jones first began his long process of reinvention when he*



attended the University of Tennessee in Martin. ... [Partly to impress the parents of his well-to-do girlfriend] he ran for dorm vice president, and then for student council. Meanwhile, inspired by the crusading editor of his hometown newspaper, he worked toward a career in journalism by starting an underground newspaper. He later followed his mentor [who?] to Shreveport, Louisiana, for a summer job as a cub reporter...

"If I'd been in another country, I probably would have joined some underground guerrilla sect," he said. "But as it was, I went on to an Ivy League law school." ... He arrived at Yale Law School [graduated in 1993] wearing combat boots and carrying a Black Panther bookbag, an angry black separatist among a sea of clean-cut students dreaming of Supreme Court clerkships. "I wasn't ready for Yale, and they weren't ready for me," Jones said. ... He persevered. ...

Jones first moved to the Bay Area in the spring of 1992, when the San Francisco-based Lawyers Committee for Human Rights hired a batch of law students to act as legal observers during the trial of Rodney King's assailants. Eva Paterson, who was then the committee's executive director, remembers getting a cover letter that stood out from the rest: "It was this piece of stationery that had little faces across the top, a stencil of little guys with dreads. We said, 'Oh, yeah, we're hiring him.'" ...

Jones had planned to move to Washington, DC, and had already landed a job and an apartment there. But in [San Francisco] jail [after mass arrests], he said, "I met all these young radical people of color -- I mean really radical, communists and anarchists. And it was, like, 'This is what I need to be a part of.'" Although he already had a plane ticket, he decided to stay in San Francisco. "I spent the next ten years of my life working with a lot of those people I met in jail, trying to be a revolutionary." In the months that followed, he let go of any lingering thoughts that he might fit in with the status quo. "I was a rowdy nationalist on April 28th, and then the verdicts came down on April 29th," he said. "By August, I was a communist."

In 1994, the young activists formed a socialist collective, Standing Together to Organize a Revolutionary Movement, or STORM, which held study groups on the theories of Marx and Lenin and dreamed of a multiracial socialist utopia. They protested police brutality and got arrested for crashing through police barricades. In 1996, Jones decided to launch his own operation, which he named the Ella Baker Center after an unsung hero of the civil-rights movement. ...



*The self-described former "rowdy black nationalist" is best known as founder of the Ella Baker Center, an Oakland-based nonprofit group with roots firmly grounded in criminal-justice issues that affect low-income people of color. In 1995, he started Bay Area PoliceWatch, a program that assists victims of alleged police brutality. He made his mark as an activist by brashly saying things no other civil-rights leaders would say, such as "Willie Brown's Police Commission is killing black people." The center's second program, Books Not Bars, runs a campaign to radically transform California's youth prisons into rehabilitation centers. ... Jones started his first environmental program, Reclaim the Future, only six months ago. ...*

*Van Jones, whom the authors called an "up-and-coming civil-rights leader," extolling his vision of a broad alliance between environmentalists, labor unions, civil-rights groups, and businesses."*

- ▶ The Van Jones-founded Ella Baker Center has received tons of "liberal CIA" financing, including from [George Soros](#), likely since its founding in 1996, but certainly since the turn of the century:

- ▶ 2000 annual report, Open Society Institute (Soros), p. 119: *"... grants to the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights ... support multigenerational, grassroots organizing for investment in education instead of prisons and against for-profit, private prisons."*
- ▶ 2001 annual report, Soros Foundations Network, p. 154: *"Funding in 2001 supported the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights' campaign, "Books Not Bars" which challenges California's prison growth and policies through media advocacy, grassroots organizing, and hip-hop music—all driven by young people."*
- ▶ September 15, 2009, Accuracy in Media, 'Soros Money Financed Communist Van Jones': *"The Open Society Institute gave the Ella Baker Center \$151,800 in 2006 and \$140,000 in 2007."*
- ▶ [ellabakercenter.org/donate/2010-supporters](http://ellabakercenter.org/donate/2010-supporters) (accessed: August 22, 2018): *"Mitchell Kapor Foundation. Open Society Institute ... Schwab Family Fund ... [San Francisco Foundation](#) ... [Nathan Cummings Foundation](#) ... [Tides Foundation](#) ... [ACLU](#) ... [Drug Policy Alliance](#) [Soros and other elites]... [Green for All](#) ..."*
- ▶ [ellabakercenter.org/2011-donors](http://ellabakercenter.org/2011-donors) accessed: August 22, 2018): *"[Most of the above, plus] [Foundation to Promote Open Society](#) ... [Google Matching Gifts Program](#) ... [Surdna Foundation](#) ... [Pachamama Alliance](#) [of [9/11 no-planer John Perkins](#)] ... [Random House](#)..."*
- ▶ [ellabakercenter.org/donate/2012-donors](http://ellabakercenter.org/donate/2012-donors) accessed:

August 22, 2018): "[Most of the above, plus] [David and Lucile Packard Foundation Matching Grant](#) ... [Hewlett Foundation](#)..."

- ▶ [ted.com/speakers/van\\_jones](#) (accessed: August 15, 2018): *"Anthony "Van" Jones is founder of the Ella Baker Center for human rights, based in Oakland, California, and of Green for All... Jones is a senior fellow at the Center For American Progress and a senior policy advisor at Green For All. He holds a joint appointment at Princeton as a distinguished visiting fellow in both the Center for African American Studies and in the Program in Science, Technology and Environmental Policy at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs."*
  - ▶ In 2004 signed a [911truth.org](#) petition that called for a renewed 9/11 investigation, once again showing just [how infested this network is by CIA assets](#).
  - ▶ In 2005 Van Jones founded the George Soros and Ford Foundation-funded group [Color of Change](#).
  - ▶ Founder and president of The Dream Corps in 2014, which came to oversee his key projects YesWeCode and Green For All (founded in 2007 at the Clinton Global Initiative and run from Oakland), all of it funded by major "liberal CIA" foundations:
    - ▶ [community-wealth.org/content/green-all](#) (accessed: August 15, 2018): *"Launched at the Clinton Global Initiative in 2007, Green For All grew out of the work of activist Van Jones, who helped create a "Green Job Corps" in Oakland, California as part of a program at the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights."*
    - ▶ Van Jones certainly visited the Clinton Global Initiative himself in 2010.
    - ▶ 2008 annual report, Green For All, pp. 2, 11: *"One year ago, that's all Green For All was [with] donated cubicle space at the Ella Baker Center in Oakland, California [also funded by Soros: \$151,800 in 2006 and \$140,000 in 2007]. ... [The green dream now] also includes President-elect Barack Obama, who pledged to invest \$150 billion in energy solutions and create five million green-collar jobs.*  
...
- Thank You!!! ... Anonymous [likely [Prince](#), who soon became a close friend of Van Jones]... Better Tomorrow Fund - [Rockefeller Family Fund](#) ... [Ford Foundation](#) ... [Margaret Mellon Hitchcock Foundation](#) ... [Mitchell Kapor Foundation](#). [Nathan Cummings Foundation](#). ... [Natural Resources Defense Council](#). [New World Foundation](#) ... [\[George Soros'\] Open Society Institute](#) ... [RSF Social Finance](#) ... [San Francisco Foundation](#) ... [Streisand Foundation](#) ... [Surdna Foundation](#) ... [Hewlett Foundation](#) ... [Tides Foundation](#) ... [Kellogg Foundation](#). [Wallace Global Fund](#)."*

- ▶ [yeswecode.org/partners](http://yeswecode.org/partners) (accessed: August 15, 2018): *"An initiative of the Dream Corps. ... Partners: ... Ford Foundation ... San Francisco Foundation... Community Partners: Kapor Center"*
- ▶ [thedreamcorps.org/partners](http://thedreamcorps.org/partners) (accessed: February 13, 2015): *"ACLU ... Annie E. Casey Foundation ... Office of the President of the United States [Obama] ... Facebook. Ford Foundation. Google. Kapor Center. ... The White House ... Kellogg Foundation"*
- ▶ 2016-2017 annual report, Dream Corps, pp. 15-16: *"\$100,000 & Above: ... Atlantic Philanthropies ... Open Society Foundations ... Surdna Foundation ... Energy Foundation ... Ford Foundation ... Libra Foundation ... Nathan Cummings Foundation ... San Francisco Foundation. Wallace Global Fund. ... Hewlett Foundation ... Van Jones, President..."*
- ▶ December 5, 2017, [gopusa.com](http://gopusa.com), 'The NFL signs on with George Soros': *"Plagued by sagging ratings, player protests and fan outrage, the NFL has thrown a political Hail Mary by reportedly agreeing to dole out millions of dollars to two social justice groups connected to Democratic billionaire George Soros. Under an agreement with the Players Coalition, NFL owners plan to funnel tens of millions of dollars to the Dream Corps, a leftist advocacy group led by former Obama adviser Van Jones and linked to Mr. Soros..."*
- ▶ In 2008, and then since 2010, a fellow of the (massively) Soros-funded Center for American Progress, which became prominent during the Hillary Clinton - Donald Trump campaign of 2016 when the center's long-time head, John Podesta, ran Clinton's campaign, had his emails leaked, and then became embroiled in the bizarre [Pizzagate affair](#).
  - ▶ [americanprogress.org/aboutus/staff/](http://americanprogress.org/aboutus/staff/) (accessed: March 18, 2008): *"John Podesta, President and Chief Executive Officer. ... Jennifer Palmieri, Senior VP for Communications. ... David Halperin, Senior VP and Director, Campus Progress [taking over this position from his Soros-employed father Morton Halperin] ... Distinguished Senior Fellow Tom Daschle. ... Fellows: [Soros agent] Morton Halperin ... Van Jones..."*
  - ▶ February 24, 2010, [americanprogress.org](http://americanprogress.org), 'Van Jones Rejoins CAP to Lead Green Opportunity Initiative'.
  - ▶ May 31, 2004, New York Times, 'And for His Next Feat, a Billionaire Sets Sights on Bush': *"This comes on top of \$3 million [Mr. Soros](#) is giving to a liberal research group, the Center for American Progress being started by John D. Podesta, a former chief of staff for President Bill Clinton."*
  - ▶ [sorosfiles.com/soros/2011/10/center-for-american-progress.html](http://sorosfiles.com/soros/2011/10/center-for-american-progress.html) (accessed: March 18, 2008): *"In addition to*

*providing \$5.5 million to CAP's 501-(c)(3) between 2005 and 2009, Soros pledged to give up to \$3 million to CAP's political Action Fund during the 2003 election."*

- ▶ November 2, 2016, freebeacon.com, 'Hacked Emails Reveal Hundreds of Donors to CAP, Media Matters; Notes to Podesta include unredacted tax documents and fundraising spreadsheets': *"Donors on that list also include the Sandler Foundation, which is listed as a \$24.4 million donor. The Wyss Foundation, a group run by Swiss billionaire Hansjorg Wyss, has given \$17.4 million. Peter Lewis has donated \$8.3 million personally. Steyer's TomKat and George Soros' Open Society Foundation have each given \$5.1 million."*
- ▶ Anno 2013 Van Jones was a trustee of the Ford, Soros, Rockefeller foundations-funded [Natural Resources Defense Council](#):
  - ▶ February 17, 2013, nrdc.org, "'Forward on Climate' Rally: More Than 35,000 strong March on Washington for Climate Action': *"Van Jones, NRDC Trustee and President Rebuild the Dream."*
- ▶ In 2011 Van Jones and the Soros-funded [Moveon.org](#) group founded Rebuild the Dream, a group to counter the Tea Party. Seed funding also came from the Ford Foundation:
  - ▶ June 23, 2011, Rolling Stone, 'Van Jones on Rebuilding the American Dream: The former White House 'green jobs' advisor has a new project: rebooting the progressive movement': *"Tonight in New York City, with the help of MoveOn, The Roots... The event is the kickoff for the Rebuild the Dream campaign..."*
  - ▶ 2006-2007 [Ford Foundation](#) grants list: *"Rebuild the Dream Innovation Fund. 2011: \$150,000."*
- ▶ Anno 2013 Van Jones was a fellow of the the Edgar Mitchell-founded [Institute of Noetic Sciences \(IONS\)](#), an elite-tied group deeply involved in the spreading of UFO and spiritual disinformation:
  - ▶ noetic.org/about/board.cfm (June 12, 2010): "BOARD OF DIRECTORS ... Edgar D. Mitchell - Founder. ... INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD: ... Deepak Chopra. Amit Goswami... Michael Murphy [founder of the Esalen institute]. Dean Ornish. ... Maurice Strong. Most Reverend Desmond Tutu. IONS FELLOWS: ... Van Jones. James O'Dea. Rupert Sheldrake. Charles Tart. .... GUIDING DIRECTORS: .... Willis W. Harman [also of the Foundation for Gaia and SRI], President Emeritus, 1975-1996."
- ▶ Involved in the 2015-founded Progressive Agenda with elites, including the Soros family:
  - ▶ May 12, 2015, mrc.org, 'Soros Backs New 'Progressive Agenda' With \$159 Million': *"A dozen far-left leaders*

*attended the closed-door meeting, including George Soros' son Jonathan Soros. Jonathan claims to support removing money from politics, yet hypocritically serves on several boards at the Open Society Foundations (OSF). OSF has given more than \$550 million to liberal organizations.*

*Other liberal leaders at the April 2 meeting were Katrina Vanden Heuvel of The Nation, "disgraced" former Obama advisor and 9/11 Truther Van Jones, and liberal economist Joseph Stiglitz. ...*

*During the MSNBC interview, hosts Mika Brzezinski and Joe Scarborough were incredibly supportive of both the mayor and the Agenda."*

## **John Kiriakou**

### ► CIA and post-CIA career:

- Recruited into the CIA in 1989. CIA case officer 1990-2004.
- Recruited by CIA psychologist Jerrold Post at George Washington University, with Kiriakou noticing Post had Col. Oliver North among his contacts at the time of his recruitment. Kept in touch with Post.
- Anno 1999-2000 he worked in Athens to combat the Marxist 17 November terrorist group. Gust Avrakotos was a key mentor of his in relation to Greek affairs. Acted as a note-taker for a meeting with Bill Clinton and his (annoyed) wife, Madeleine Albright and Sandy Berger with Greek opposition leaders. In Athens, Kiriakou lived next-door to the British military attache, Stephen Saunders, who was assassinated by the 17 November group on June 8, 2000.
- On 9/11 he and Counter-Intelligence Chief Cofer Black, were scheduled to meet national security advisor Condoleezza Rice. The planes hit right before leaving CIA headquarters. In the months prior, from at least July, Black had confided in Kiriakou that "something big" was in the works in terms of a terrorist attack, but the CIA couldn't get to the bottom of the plot. The FBI not sharing any information with the CIA was a major reason of that. Even after 9/11, the two services had no compatible computer systems and hated each other, according to Kiriakou.
- Chief of counter-terrorism operations in Pakistan after 9/11. Captured Abu Zubaydah in March 2002.
- Acting overseer of Guantanamo Bay around late 2002 - early 2003.
- Executive assistant to the associate deputy director of

operations from May 2002, after the latter had been promoted over the Abu Zubaydah capture. After signing his secrecy papers, he was told that the U.S. administration was going to invade Iraq. CIA, State and the Joint Chiefs are opposed. Vice president, defense secretary and the national security council are in favor.

- ▶ Also a note-taker for CIA director George Tenet for a meeting with Dick Cheney and other senior governmental officials in the run up to the Iraq War, with one general saying they *"could be in Tehran by August [2003]."* Tenet, apparently, couldn't believe his ears.
  - ▶ Nov. 19, 2023, Dalton Fischer podcast, 'CIA Spy on 9/11, Enhanced Interrogation, AI, Jeffrey Epstein | John Kiriakou | Part 2': *"The day before we actually crossed the border, there was a final ... 'Order of Battle' meeting. So, George asked me to be the note-taker in the meeting. George Tenet, the director of the CIA. ... I'm sitting directly behind his right shoulder. ... Everybody else is on a TV screen." And then the colonel says, "If all goes as planned, we can be in Tehran by August." George is sitting there. And then he leans forward and turns off his microphone. And then he says [to me]: "Did he say Baghdad, or did he say Tehran?" And then I said, "He said Theran.""*
- ▶ Senior manager Deloitte & Touche's competitive intelligence practice 2004-2008. He would collect information on competitors as IBM, Ernst & Young, KPMG, etc. to steal pricing and discount models, unearth bid numbers on deals, and find disgruntled partners.
- ▶ In 2007, worried the Bush government might blame him as a "rogue", Kiriakou disclosed the CIA's use of torture, this through to investigative reporter Brian Ross. Kiriakou has explained how the torture has rendered the 9/11 "masterminds" testimony useless, making prosecution impossible. (Dec. 13, 2007 YouTube upload of original interview: [youtube.com/watch?v=e4uWTg-HEtY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e4uWTg-HEtY))
- ▶ Consultant ABC from early 2008 to early 2009.
- ▶ Senior investigator on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee under Sen. John Kerry, who in the past was an overseer of the Iran-Contra scandal, and accused of repressing some of the CIA drugs aspects. In this position Kiriakou investigated the Dasht-e-Leili massacre. There had been 18 survivors of the 2000 persons shipped in containers. After Kiriakou tried to identify two white males in blue jeans present at the site, the investigation was shut down.
- ▶ From 2012 on, Kiriakou was in legal trouble. Through the notorious Eastern District of Virginia Court, where no

whistleblower has ever been acquitted and which is heavily plugged into the intelligence services and defense companies, Kiriakou was put in prison on a plea deal for 2 years, from 2013-2015. He was supposed to be put in a minimum security prison, but ended up in a regular prison, becoming friends with the skinheads and especially the Italian mafia families. CIA directors David Petraeus and Leon Panetta had made similar, and worse, national security leaks, but were always left alone.

- ▶ On foodstamps and other welfare after his 2012 arrest, when also his wife was fired from the CIA. Lost his pension. Still owned his lawyers \$880,000 in 2015.
- ▶ When he came out of prison around 2015, he joined the "liberal CIA" [Institute for Policy Studies](#), which has received millions over the decades from foundations as Ford, Rockefeller, Turner, Mott and Soros.
- ▶ By 2017 on the advisory board of the pro-whistleblower "liberal CIA" [Courage Foundation](#), alongside conspiracy disinformers and related "liberal CIA" activists. Eventually Kiriakou was interviewed on various podcasts, spreading his name a bit.
- ▶ Among his contacts and congratulators became the globalist-tied Yoko Ono, "liberal CIA" movie director [Oliver Stone](#), actor Jack Nicholson, and Roseanne Barr. The latter gave him \$5,000 towards his legal fees.
- ▶ Invited a dozen times to Tucker Carlson's show during the Trump presidency, because they both disliked Obama.
- ▶ Employed by the "liberal CIA" [Institute for Policy Studies](#), after his conviction:
  - ▶ [ips-dc.org/ips\\_author/john-kiriakou/](https://ips-dc.org/ips_author/john-kiriakou/) (accessed: Oct. 12, 2024; 2019 interview): *"John Kiriakou, Associate Fellow."*
  - ▶ [ephemerajournal.org/sites/default/files/2022-01/19-4bushnellkennyfotaki.pdf](https://ephemerajournal.org/sites/default/files/2022-01/19-4bushnellkennyfotaki.pdf) (accessed: Oct. 12, 2024; 2019 interview): *"Yeah. That's a great topic. The bottom line is that none of us [intelligence sector whistleblowers] will ever work in our fields again. We're sort of blacklisted for life. When I got home [from prison], I got a job in a progressive think tank here in Washington – The Institute for Policy Studies (IPS). It was a temporary thing because, as you might imagine, like any progressive organisation, they are constantly broke... They make their money on \$20 and \$50 donations from poor people. So they gave me this job as a visiting fellow just to help me get back on my feet again. I was only making minimum wage. I did that for a year while also writing a weekly column for [readersupportednews.org](#), which I also still do... I left IPS after a year. Then for six months, all I had was this weekly column, which only paid me*

*\$400 a week. Finally, the Russians called me. It was the Sputnik News Agency. They said that they wanted to offer me my own daily radio show – two-hour show – during the evening drive. I was extraordinarily reluctant to do it. I'm a patriot and also I came of age in the CIA during the Cold War. To work for the Russian government is just something that never in a million years did I ever think that I would do. But nobody is beating down the door to offer me work [...]. So I took the job. I actually like it a lot and I like the people I work with. It's not the first choice of jobs that I would have made but I am fortunate to have it."*

- Employed by the "liberal CIA" Consortium News and Covert Action Magazine, after his conviction:

- [covertactionmagazine.com /author/johnkiriakou/](https://covertactionmagazine.com/author/johnkiriakou/) (accessed: Oct. 28, 2024): "32 posts. ... Julian Assange ... Dan Ellsberg ... Robert Parry ... Julian Assange."

- [laprogressive.com/author/john-kiriakou](https://laprogressive.com/author/john-kiriakou) (accessed: Oct. 28, 2024): "Kiriakou publishes with Consortium News and has given us permission to repost his work. He is a former CIA counterterrorism officer and a former senior investigator with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. John became the sixth whistleblower indicted by the Obama administration under the Espionage Act – a law designed to punish spies."

- Was Jared Leto's professor in the late 1980s:

- Dec. 19, 2019, YouTube channel of 'JARED LETO', 'Lies and Torture of the CIA with John Kiriakou and Jared Leto': "That last semester that I had you in class [Jared Leto], I went to see the professor. And he said, "... I'm actually undercover as a professor. I am a senior CIA officer. Would you be interested in joining the CIA?" And I said, "Sure." Hadn't really thought of it. But I was getting married soon after graduation. I had no job and I went, "This sounds like fun." ... They [first] put to work on Iraq. And the reason that I was being sent to Iraq was that "nothing ever happened there." So I had been there about 9 months. And just as I begin to feel like I really know what I'm talking about, Iraq invades Kuwait [on August 2, 1990]. Next thing I know I'm going to the White House and briefing the president. ...

*In 2012 I was charged with three counts of espionage for the ABC News interview. Now, the point really was not to find me guilty. The point was to make an example of me, to deter other whistleblowers from coming forward. And the Justice Department really has this down to a science. They know that your attorneys are very expensive. I had 11 attorneys. When I was looking at 45 years in prison, I said, "I'm not going to do 45 minutes. I'm going to fight*



*this. I don't care what it costs. That's not really what your defense attorneys wanna hear. And we got up over a million bucks. And they said, "Look, we should investigate the idea of a plea." ... They said "2.5 and it's our final offer." So what do you do? I have five kids at home. Do you roll the dice, knowing that the government wins 98.2% of its cases, according to ProPublica? I couldn't take that chance, so I took the deal. And then just a couple of months later, my attorneys drove me to prison and dropped me off.*

*I'm not sure that we can trust our government. Everything that the CIA has told us since 2001 has been a lie. And it doesn't matter who is in the White House. ...*

*In August of this year, 2015, the White House killed 424 people. In August! ... We are supposed to take the CIA's word for it that these are bad people. But then we have these independent voices - Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International, The International Committee of the Red Cross - saying, "Wait a minute, 90% of these people are innocent civilians who just happened to be near the sites of these drone attacks.*

*One of my attorneys is representing a drone whistleblower right now. And he told me recently that he was operating his drone from a base. I think it was in Nevada, New Mexico. He is connected by radio and the guy at Satcom [who] says, "You see the target? Launch!" And the guy says, "I can't launch, there's a child right next to him." And the guy at Satcom says, "It's not a child. It's a goat." And he says, "Man, I'm looking at it. It's a child." And he told him, "Launch!" But the guy said, "I couldn't launch that thing." And now he's facing court martial. And possibly other charges, including a dishonorable discharge."*

- ▶ Closely involved at the CIA with 9/11 Counter Terrorism Center chief Cofer Black, and other prominent CIA officers:

- ▶ Nov. 12, 2023 YouTube interview upload, Dalton Fischer Podcast, 'CIA Spy on 9/11, Enhanced Interrogation, AI, Jeffrey Epstein | John Kiriakou | Part 2': "2001, July 6th: so instead of this junior analyst come in, Cofer Black came, along with the chief of operations for the Osama bin Laden group. ... Cofer sits down and he starts, "Something terrible is going to happen. We don't exactly know what and we don't know where, but we know it's going to be on a scale like we have never seen before." He said, "We are picking up chatter, with code words., for a massive attack: the honey salesmen is come with great quantities of honey. There is going to be a massive wedding. There is gonna be a great soccer match. They're all codes for an attack." He said, "We're hearing Al Qaeda camp

commanders talking to their students and they are crying on the phone, saying, "I'll see you in paradise." So he said, "I beg you, gentlemen, if you have any sources inside Al Qaeda, please help us." They just all sat there, because they were not focused on Al Qaeda either. ... I went back to Cofer's office to thank him. ... He said, "Oh, I'm deadly serious. Something TERRIBLE is going to happen." ... Well, that was July 6th. September 11th, it happened. ... The thing is, we never expected it to happen here. We expected maybe another American embassy some place, a U.S. military base, a hijacking. We didn't expect that they would attack us right here. ...

On the morning of 9/11 I was supposed to go the White House with Cofer Black, who was the director of the CIA's Counter Terrorism Center. We had a meeting scheduled with Condoleezza Rice, who was the national security advisor at the time on an issue related to Greek terrorism. [He never got there, because right before they left, the first plane hit the WTC] ...

Cofer Black went on to be the vice president of Blackwater. And he took some very controversial positions. positions that I personally wouldn't have taken... With that said, Cofer Black was a god inside the CIA. I had nothing but the highest possible respect for him. And he was a good guy. He was replaced by a monster, by a psychopathic murderous monster. Yes [Jose Rodriguez]. But Cofer was a genuinely good guy ... and wanted to avenge the deaths of 3,000 Americans. He took 9/11 very, very personally. He saw this as his own personal failing. [Cofer meant the "flies on eyeballs" statement, but did talk to the Pakistanis and such. Kiriakou describes how in Pakistan Cofer went to visit a safe house of Kiriakou just to see a chained up Al Qaeda terrorist. Afterwards, the terrorist thought Kiriakou said "Amnesty International" of "Central Intelligence Agency" when he introduced Cofer.] ...

He came out to Pakistan while I was there, with Jose Rodriguez. I was their control officer. And just to give you an idea of the difference between the two men...

I had a mentor at the CIA called Gust Avrakotos. Gust is famous: Charlie Wilson's War. [Etc.] He was like a father family to me. He was very controversial, inside and outside the Agency. He killed a lot of Russians. A lot. Medals. Promotions. Couldn't get along with anybody. ... We were working [against] the [Marxist] 17 November Task Force together and I mentioned off-handedly that 17th November's second victim, the chief of the National Hellenic Police, his name was Mallios, that Mallios was a torturer during the junta. And Gust grabbed me by the

lapels and slammed me up against the wall and he goes, "Mallios was my friend!" [I go,] "What's wrong with you? I'm sorry he was your friend. I'm sorry he got shot in the head. But he was a torturer. And keep your hands to yourself next time." And afterwards he goes, "I really respect the way you reacted." Talks about his friendship and assignment in the Middle East with Billy Waugh, who caught Carlos the Jackell.

- Kiriakou doesn't believe in [9/11 demolition / thermite](#) theories, is reluctant to speculate on foreknowledge by the Bush administration, but does think it is possible that wealthy individuals in Saudi Arabia funded Al QaedaW:

- April 24, 2015 YouTube upload by 'The Real News Network', 'Why Didn't Bush/Cheney Prevent 9/11? - John Kiriakou on Reality Asserts Itself (5/10)': *"I don't know. ... I can tell you that the working model showing an attack with an airplane was one of hundreds of models. To pick out one model and say, "This is the one that it is going to be, I think was probably impossible. ... I can tell you that in the CIA I never saw people work so hard in my entire life trying to disrupt this attack, and having not enough information and nowhere near the budget necessary to really do it. [The people in the Bush White House] are not listening, they are not cooperating, and they are not appropriating enough funding [pre-9/11]. ...*

*[Senior editor Paul Jay, the interviewer: "This stuff about the buildings coming down: explosives, and various thermo, nuclear..."] Yeah, I don't believe any of that. ...*

*[Senior editor Paul Jay, the interviewer: "I have told people who believe this stuff: if 50 years or 100 years from now, you turn out to be right, I still actually think you should shut the f up right now. Because there is a real conspiracy. There is at least some verifiable evidence that there might have actually been to deliberate attempt to mess with the intelligence agencies and leave the back door open."] Hm-hm--hm, something important. ...*

*See, I never saw that [9/11 as a Saudi government plot]. I saw Saudi individuals, some of whom had ties tot the Saudi government or the Saudi royal family, but I never saw this as a Saudi [government] conspiracy [as the Sen. Bob Graham report says]. ... It is [a feudal structure, but] there aren't many power centers. There is one main power center, and that's the king. He is an absolute ruler. But there are influential people around the country. And their influence is based on the amount of money that they have. ... Absolutely [this could have happened without coming directly from the king]. I mean, look at the Bin Laden family. It is a highly respected old family in Saudi Arabia, originally from Yemen. The old man Bin Laden*

*was worth billions of dollars, because he was the country's greatest construction magnate ... and really throughout the Middle East. ... The Bin Ladens have absolutely no blood ties to the royal family ... but they are a forced to be recognized with. ... I think it was people who had Bin Laden-kind of money who were involved in funding and financing Al Qaeda. It wasn't necessarily the Saudi government. It wasn't necessarily members of the Saudi royal family, although there probably were a couple of rogues. I think it was these wealthy businessmen [that] they are the ones we should have been looking at. ... I never saw any such intelligence [that the Saudi government itself was involved, as Graham says] I spent most of my career working on Saudi Arabia in one way or another."*

► Supporter of waterboarding, but only briefly after 9/11, mildly, but didn't want to get involved himself:

► Dec. 2007, ABC News, Brian Ross interviewing John Kiriakou in his coming out interview: *"At the time, I felt that waterboarding was something that we needed to do. And as ... September 11 has moved farther and farther back into history, I think I have changed my mind. And I think that waterboarding is probably something we shouldn't be in the business of doing."*

*At the time I was SO angry, and I wanted to do so much to help disrupt future attacks on the United States, that I felt it was the only thing we could do. It was [successful with Abu Zubaydah]. I was out of it by then, but it is my understanding that [Khalid Sheikh Mohammed] was also waterboarded. To the best of my knowledge [those were the only two]. Yes [I do think it was worth it]. ... It may have compromised our principles, at least in the short term, and I think it's good we are having a national debate about this. ... Congress should be talking about this."*

► Dec. 10, 2007, ABC News, 'Coming in From the Cold: CIA Spy Calls Waterboarding Necessary But Torture; Former agent says enhanced technique was used on al Qaeda chief Abu Zubaydah.': *"In the first public comment by any CIA officer involved in handling high-value al Qaeda targets, John Kiriakou, now retired, said the technique broke Zubaydah in less than 35 seconds. ... "From that day on, he answered every question," Kiriakou said. "The threat information he provided disrupted a number of attacks, maybe dozens of attacks." ... "Those tricks of the trade require a great deal of time -- much of the time -- and we didn't have that luxury. We were afraid that there was another major attack coming," he said. Kiriakou says he did not know that the interrogation of Zubaydah was*

*being secretly recorded by the CIA and had no idea the tapes had been destroyed."*

- ▶ Jan. 27, 2010, ABC News, 'CIA Operative Amends Claims Made to ABC News': *"U.S. government documents released in April 2009 indicate that Kiriakou's account that Abu Zubaydah broke after only one waterboarding session was incorrect. According to a footnote in newly released, previously classified "Top Secret" memos, the CIA used the waterboard "at least 83 times during August 2002 in the interrogation of Zubaydah."*

*Following the release of the documents, Kiriakou said: "When I spoke to ABC News in December 2007 I was aware of Abu Zubaydah being water boarded on one occasion. It was after this one occasion that he revealed information related to a planned terrorist attack. As I said in the original interview, my information was second-hand. I never participated in the use of enhanced techniques on Abu Zubaydah or on any other prisoner, nor did I witness the use of such techniques."*

- ▶ May 6, 2016 YouTube upload by "The Real News Network", 'Why I Was Targeted by the CIA - John Kiriakou on RAI (9/10)': *"Did it work? The CIA officers in the field, who were torturing prisoners, were reporting back that it was working and, for example, that Abu Zubaydah had cracked after 1 session. ... And that he had given up actionable information that saved American lives [which later already sat in FBI files]. [But] we didn't know, nobody knew, until the CIA's Inspector General Report was released in April 2009 that said, "No, he was waterboarded [at least] 83 times. And Khalid Sheikh Mohammed was waterboarded 147 times." So they were even lying to each other, internally, in order to justify this thing."*

- ▶ May 6, 2016 YouTube upload by "The Real News Network", 'Why I Was Targeted by the CIA - John Kiriakou on RAI (9/10)': *"In that year, in early 2008 to early 2009, I ended up consulting for ABC News... I called Brian Ross and said, "You ruined my life. The least you can do is throw me a little work." So ABC brought me on as a consultant.*

*In early 2009 John Kerry offered me a job, as the senior investigator on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. So I was under the impression that he actually wanted me to investigate things. And I ran into even more trouble with the CIA in that job.*

*I was unaware of any investigation aimed at me. ... It turned out they never stopped investigating me from December of 2007 to my arrest in 2012. ... I had no problems with the CIA until they [arrested me in 2012]. ...*

*On the contrary, when I was at Deloitte and Touche they were preparing to bid for a job at the CIA's Counter-Terrorism Center. I still had an active security clearance at the time, and they asked me if they could add me to the list of cleared individuals that might participate in this contract. I said yes. ...*

*I think that the targeting came from inside the Counter-Terrorism Center. It wasn't necessarily the CIA as an organization, as a whole. It was CTC. CTC was run by cowboys and hard-asses. I think that they were so furious, that what I had done was so unforgivable, that they are the ones who asked the Justice Department to go after me."*

### Nicholas "Nick" Kristof

- ▶ Major "ultraliberal" journalist and Harvard overseer.
- ▶ Born in Oregon. Both parents were professors. Harvard. Worked on Harvard's Crimson newspaper. Studied at Oxford University as a scholar. Studied Arabic in Egypt 1983-1984.
- ▶ Joined the New York Times in 1984, spending time as a correspondent in the Far East. Has traveled to more than 150 countries. Rose to associate managing editor of the New York Times. Op-ed columnist for the New York Times since November 2001 until 2021.
- ▶ Seen as a human rights advocate. Praised by Bill Clinton and Desmond Tutu. One of his articles inspired Bill and Melinda Gates to begin their philanthropic efforts, which parallel the Rockefeller, Ford, Soros and MacArthur foundations. The article in question is framed in the gallery of the [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#).
- ▶ Member of the board of overseers at Harvard. Trustee of the Association of American Scholars.
- ▶ Questioned the Iraq War before and after it occurred. Accused Bush and Cheney of purposely not having tried to normalize relations with Iran and warned against a military strike against the country. Spoke at a June 2007 meeting of the American Iranian Council, to which Congressman Dennis Kucinich and Senator Chuck Hagel were also invited. Rockefeller man Cyrus Vance was honorary chair of the American Iranian Council at the time, with George Soros being spotted at one of the meetings.
- ▶ Visitor DAVOS/World Economic Forum 2010. Member CFR.
- ▶ Backed [Amber Lyon](#)'s defection from CNN in 2012, when Lyon tried to address U.S. neocon support for Bahrain despite human rights issues in the country. Lyon soon became a psychedelics guru.

## Norman Lear

- Biography moved over to ISGP's [Hollywood article](#).

## John D. Marks

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- Graduate of Cornell University. Foreign Service officer of the U.S. Department of State, first in Vietnam and then as an analyst and staff assistant to the Director of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research. Executive Assistant for foreign policy to US Senator Clifford Case (R-NJ), responsible within the Senator's office for passage of the Case-Church amendment, which eventually cut off funding for the Vietnam War.
- Also very well-known for his 1973 book *The CIA and the Cult of Intelligence* with Victor Marchetti, who served as special assistant to CIA director Richard Helms in the 1966-1969 period. Initially 399 passages of the book were censored by the CIA, but eventually this was brought down to "only" 168 passages. It is the first book the federal government of the United States ever went to court to in order to censor before its publication.
- Like Marks, Victor Marchetti is a curious bird:
  - In 1978 Marchetti wrote an article for the pro-Nazi Liberty Lobby publication *The Spotlight* in which he mentioned a CIA memo from 1966 that named E. Howard Hunt, Frank Sturgis and Gerry Patrick Hemming in relation to the JFK assassination. It resulted in a legal war with Hunt, with Marchetti and the Liberty Lobby being represented by the bizarre Mark Lane, an early JFK assassination disinformant who had been [evacuated](#) from the premises of the Jonestown cult with the local CIA station chief when the mass suicides began (or "suicides").
  - In 1987 Victor Marchetti and Mark Lane were the original editors of the Liberty Lobby's "Zionist Watch".

- ▶ Marks is equally well-known for his 1978 book *The Search for the Manchurian Candidate* about the CIA's MKULTRA project in which he also discusses the roots of hippie culture as a byproduct of large-scale LSD, psilocybin and DMT tests at major universities with student volunteers. The book basically is the bible on MKULTRA, considering few additional documents have been released since, with no major revelations from insiders either.
- ▶ Bizarrely, John Marks has many elite superclass connections, going back all the way to the 1970s:
  - ▶ 1976, John Marks, 'The CIA File', edited by Robert Borosage of the elite-funded [Institute for Policy Studies](#) and future [George Soros](#) agent.
  - ▶ 1979, John Marks, 'The Search for the Manchurian Candidate', Author's Note: *"This book has grown out of the 16,000 pages of documents that the CIA released to me under the Freedom of Information Act. ... From the documentary base, I was able to expand my knowledge through interviews and readings in the behavioral sciences. Nevertheless, the final result is not the whole story of the CIA's attack on the mind. Only a few insiders could have written that, and they choose to remain silent. I have done the best I can to make the book as accurate as possible, but I have been hampered by the refusal of most of the principal characters to be interviewed and by the CIA's destruction in 1973 of many of the key documents. ... The Center for National Security Studies [part of the elite-funded [Institute for Policy Studies](#)], under my good friend [future [George Soros](#) ally] Robert Borosage, provided physical support and research aid, and I would like to express my appreciation. My thanks also to [future [George Soros](#) agent] [Morton Halperin](#) who continued the support when he became director of the Center. ... I must acknowledge that the system worked almost not at all during the first six months of my three-year Freedom of Information struggle. Then in late 1975, Joseph Petrillo and Timothy Sullivan, two skilled and energetic lawyers with the firm of Fried, Frank, Shriver, Harris and Kampelman, entered the case. I had the distinct impression that the government attorneys took me much more seriously when my requests for documents started arriving on stationery with all those prominent partners at the top. An author should not need lawyers to write a book, but I would have had great difficulty without mine. ... My sister, Dr. Patricia Greenfield, did*



*excellent work on the CIA's interface with academia and on the Personality Assessment System. ... There has been a whole galaxy of people who have provided specialized help, and I would like to thank them all: ... Humphrey Osmond ... Bill Richards ... Dr. John Cavanagh [founding fellow of the Transnational Institute (TNI), the Amsterdam branch of the Institute for Policy Studies, in 1973; executive director of IPS since 1998; director and president of the elite-funded International Forum on Globalization], and Senator James Abourezk and his staff."*

- ▶ In 2005 Marks received the Temple Awards for Creative Altruism from the new age [Institute of Noetic Sciences](#).
- ▶ In 2006 Marks received the Social Entrepreneurship Award from the [Skoll Foundation](#), whose Global Threats Fund was ran by close Rockefeller ally [Larry Brilliant](#). Marks and his wife have been fellows of the Skoll Foundation.
- ▶ Founder in 1982 and president of the NGO Search for Common Ground (SFCG). Board members/advisors have included rather curious elite individuals as:
  - ▶ **Michael Murphy:** Laurance Rockefeller-backed Esalen Institute founder and an important inspiration for Marks to set up his Search for Common Ground NGO.
  - ▶ **Dr. John Mack:** Laurance Rockefeller-backed alien abduction disinformant who also used to be involved in the Esalen Institute.
  - ▶ **W. Scott Thompson:** scholar. American Security Council board. Active in Committee on the Present Danger. Friend of accused CIA pedophile entrapper Craig Spence. Debated Noam Chomsky.
  - ▶ **General Jack Sheehan:** Vice president Bechtel. CFR. U.S.-Cuba Trade Association with David Rockefeller and top CIA officers. Defense Policy Board. Defense Science Board. Henry Jackson Society. Accused of being part of a Marine Corps pedophile/sexual abuse ring by Kay Griggs.
  - ▶ **Prince Alfred von Liechtenstein:** Family tied to Otto von Habsburg's child-abusing Opus Dei clique in Europe. Family involved in U.S.-European national security affairs and the financing alien abduction disinformation.
  - ▶ **Dov Zakheim:** Notorious and extremely connected neocon employed by the Bush 43 administration and particularly close to former CIA director James Woolsey, who, along with

his wife might well be tied to the Franklin child abuse affair.

- ▶ By 1980 Marks became involved in the new age [Esalen Institute](#), through which he became inspired in 1982 to set up his liberal elite-backed (Carnegie and Rockefeller foundations and such) NGO Search for Common Ground (SFCG). He even allowed Esalen founder Michael Murphy and alien abduction disinformers John Mack on the board, along with a number of hawkish neocons (by 2021 no one interesting could be found anymore):
  - ▶ [sfcg.org](#) (accessed: July 11, 1998): *"Search for Common Ground was founded in 1982 in Washington, DC, and the European Center for Common Ground was established in Brussels in 1995."*
  - ▶ [sfcg.org/aboutus.cfm ?locus=Board](#) (accessed: Aug. 28, 2001): *"General (ret) John J. Sheehan, Bechtel... Prince Alfred Von Liechtenstein..."*
  - ▶ [sfcg.org/sfcg/sfcg\\_board.html](#) (accessed: Sep. 18, 2008): *"John Marks: Ex Officio Board Member. President, Search for Common Ground. ... Dov Zakheim..."*
  - ▶ [sfcg.org/sfcg/sfcg\\_Advisory.html](#) (accessed: Sep. 18, 2008): *"Robert Borosage ... Lawrence Chickering ... [Sen.] Dick Clark ... Alton Frye ... John Mack, Psychiatrist and Pulitzer Prize-winning Author. ... Jessica Tuchman Matthews [president Carnegie End.] ... Ambler Moss, Former U.S. Ambassador to Panama. Michael Murphy ... W. Scott Thompson ... Sir Brian Urquhart..."*
  - ▶ [sfcg.org/aboutus.cfm ?locus=Funders](#) (accessed: Nov. 21, 2001): *"Rockefeller Financial Services ... Rockefeller Foundation ... Open Society Institute ... Kellogg Foundation ... MacArthur Foundation ... Mott Foundation ... Pew Charitable Trusts ... [etc.; only three corporations, but more foundations than in later years.]"*
  - ▶ [sfcg.org/sfcg/sfcg\\_funders.html](#) (accessed: Sep. 18, 2008): *"National Endowment for Democracy. Nuclear Threat Initiative. Ploughshares Fund. ... Rockefeller Brothers Fund. ... Skoll Foundation ... John Whitehead Foundation. ... Air Canada. Angola LNG. BBC World Trust. Berry Moorman. Booz Allen & Hamilton. Chevron. ExxonMobil. ... Nestle. Governments: Belgian ... Canadian ... Danish ...*

*Finnish ... Irish ... Netherlands ... Norwegian ... Swedish ... Swiss ... UK ... USAID. US Department of State. ... Multilateral Organizations: European Union. ... UNIFEM ... UNDP ... UNHCR. World Bank."*

- ▶ Marks developed more ties over the years to the elite of the elite, propagandizing Muslim immigration:
  - ▶ Key founder through his SFCG and "leadership group member" of the 2007-founded [U.S.-Muslim Engagement Project \(USMEP\)](#), alongside his wife as various elites.
    - ▶ [usmuslimengagement.org](#) ('About' section; accessed: Sep. 25, 2008): *"[Marks'] Search for Common Ground and the Consensus Building Institute. ... Leadership Group Members: ... Madeleine Albright ... Richard Armitage ... Thomas Dine ... Stephen Heintz [Pres. RBF] ... Robert Jay Lifton ... John Marks ... Susan Collin Marks ... Feisal Abdul Rauf ... Dov S. Zakheim..."*
  - ▶ Anno 2008 on the national council of advisors of the [Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress](#).
    - ▶ [thepresidency.org/People/nca.html](#) (accessed: April 27, 2008): *"John D. Marks ... Admiral Richard W. Mies ... Dr. Robert Pfaltzgraff Jr."*
    - ▶ [thepresidency.org/People/trustees.html](#) (accessed: Jan. 15, 2008): *"David M. Abshire, President and CEO... Wayne L. Berman ... Eli Broad ... Jonathan E. Colby [of] Carlyle ... David Gergen ... Max Kampelman ... Thomas F. McLarty III... Edwin Meese III ... Thomas R. Pickering ... Thomas J. Ridge ... Charles S. Robb ... Anne-Marie Slaughter ... George Stephanopoulos..."*
  - ▶ 2010 speaker to the elite [Commonwealth Club of California](#).
  - ▶ Part of the [Wilson Center's Strengthening America's Global Engagement \(SAGE\)](#) project (2010-), under co-chairs Condoleezza Rice and William Perry, with David Abshire and Paula Dobriansky being other members.
    - ▶ [wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/media/documents/page/SAGEmembers.pdf](#) (accessed: June 5, 2021): *"Honorary Co-Chairs: Honorable Condoleezza Rice & Honorable William*

*Perry. ... Development Subcommittee: ...  
John Marks ... Governance Subcommittee:  
... Paula Dobriansky ... Joseph Nye ...  
Program & Activities Subcommittee: ... Jim  
Zogby..."*

- ▶ He ignored this author around 2009 after a question involving ISGP's *Beyond the Dutroux Affair* and similarities with aspects of his book on mind control research.
- ▶ Search for Common Ground (SFCG) sources:
  - ▶ [sfcg.org/sfcg/sfcg\\_board.html](http://sfcg.org/sfcg/sfcg_board.html): Blocked these days in Webarchive.
  - ▶ 2012, Esalen Institute, 'Esalen's Half-Century of Pioneering Cultural Initiatives 1962 to 2012': *"1980-1987: six conferences on citizen diplomacy, during the first of which Joseph Montville coined the term "track-two diplomacy" to refer to private-sector initiatives between nations, including the Soviet Union and America, that supplement and support formal diplomatic relations. Participants included James Hickman, Joseph Montville, Jay Ogilvy, John Marks, Michael Murphy, Dulce Murphy, Peter Schwartz, and David Harris. The first of these meetings provided John Marks with his primary inspiration for the creation of the NGO Search for Common Ground, which now has offices in Washington, Brussels, Amman, Bujumbura, Gaza City, Kiev, Luanda, Monrovia, and Skopje. It engages in creative conflict-reducing and bridge-building activities in many of the world's most troubled zones. And since 1980, Esalen, Dulce Murphy, Michael Murphy, Joe Montville, and TRACK TWO: An Institute for Citizen Diplomacy have pioneered the practice and analysis of track-two work in America, Europe, the Middle East, and other parts of the world."*
  - ▶ [sfcg.org/Documents/orgreport.pdf](http://sfcg.org/Documents/orgreport.pdf) (2003 report with no exact date): *"SFCG – Washington Board of Directors: ... - Prince Alfred of Liechtenstein, President, Academy for the Study of the Future, Vienna... Ambassador Ahmedou Ould-Abdallah, Special Representative of UN Secretary General for West Africa ...  
SFCG – Washington Advisory Board: ... - [Soros and old Marks ally] Robert Borosage, Co-Director, Campaign for America's Future ... - John Mack, Psychiatrist and Pulitzer Prize-winning Author. - Jessica Tuchman Mathews, President, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. ... - Michael*

Murphy, Co-founder, [Esalen Institute](#). ... - W. Scott Thompson, Former Associate Director, U.S. Information Agency ... - Sir Brian Urquhart, Former United Nations Under Secretary General...

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- ▶ [sfcg.org/funding-partners/](http://sfcg.org/funding-partners/) (accessed: August 6, 2016): "Foundations and Non-Profit Organizations: ... [Carnegie Corporation of New York](#) ... [Henry Luce Foundation](#) ... [Howard Buffett Foundation](#) ... [John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#) ... [Kellogg Foundation](#) ... [National Democratic Institute \(NDI\)](#). [National Endowment for Democracy \(NED\)](#). [Nike Foundation](#). [Nuclear Threat Initiative \(NTI\)](#) ... [Open Society Initiative \(OSI\)](#) [Soros] ... [Rockefeller Brothers Fund](#). [Rockefeller Family](#) ... [Schwab Charitable Foundation](#) ... [Skoll Foundation](#) ... [US Institute of Peace](#) ... [W.K. Kellogg Foundation](#)... Corporations and For-Profit Organizations: ... [British Petroleum \(BP\)](#) ... [Freeport-McMoRan Copper and Gold TFM](#) ... [Madagascar Oil](#) ... [Microsoft](#) ... Governments: [Several dozen]...

- ▶ [sfcg.org/board-of-directors/](http://sfcg.org/board-of-directors/) (accessed: September 22, 2013): "Board of Directors: ... [Dov Zakheim](#)... [John Marks](#), Ex Officio Board Member; President, Search for Common Ground."

- ▶ Advisory council member of the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress (CSPC), LOADED with superclass members:

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  - ▶ Adm. Richard Mies
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  - ▶ David Rothkopf
- ▶ Scholars, visitors and task force members:
  - ▶ Graham Allison
  - ▶ Lewis Branscomb
  - ▶ Jose Maria Aznar
  - ▶ Adm. Michael Mullen
  - ▶ J. Stapleton Roy
  - ▶ Gen. James L. Jones
- ▶ Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress (CSPC) sources:
  - ▶ [thepresidency.org/who-we-are/national-council-of-advisors/156-mr-john-d-marks](http://thepresidency.org/who-we-are/national-council-of-advisors/156-mr-john-d-marks) (accessed: April 12, 2012): *"Mr. John D. Marks is President and founder of Search for Common Ground, a non-profit conflict resolution organization with offices in 18 countries. He also founded and heads Common Ground Productions and has produced or executive-produced numerous TV series around the world. With his wife, Susan Collin Marks, he is a Skoll Fellow in Social Entrepreneurship, and additionally he is an Ashoka Senior Fellow. A best-selling and award-winning author, he has been a U.S. Foreign Service Officer, Executive Assistant to the late U.S. Senator Clifford Case, a Fellow at Harvard's Institute of Politics, and a Visiting Scholar at Harvard Law School."*
  - ▶ [thepresidency.org/People/national\\_council\\_of\\_advisors.php](http://thepresidency.org/People/national_council_of_advisors.php) (accessed: January 11, 2010): *"National Council of Advisors: ... Ms. Susan Eisenhower ... Dr. John Brademas ... Mr. John D. Marks, President and Founder, Search for Common Ground ... Adm. Richard W. Mies ... Dr. Robert L. Pfaltzgraff, Jr. ... Mr. Jeff Rosenberg, Director, NPR Worldwide ... David Rothkopf..."*
  - ▶ [thepresidency.org/People/trustees.php](http://thepresidency.org/People/trustees.php) (accessed: January 11, 2010): *"Honorary chairmen: George H. W. Bush. George W. Bush. Jimmy Carter. William J.*

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## John Podesta

- ▶ Very close associate of billionaire new left financier George Soros. Easy-to-identify elitist, but important for being such a prominent promoter of UFO disclosure as Bill Clinton's chief of staff and later as an advisor to Obama. More on this (bogus) effort in ISGP's [Cult of National Security Trolls](#).
- ▶ From 1981 to 1987, John Podesta's brother, Tony, was founding president of [People for the American Way](#) (PFAW), an NGO massively financed by the Rockefeller, Ford and Soros foundations.
  - ▶ [ussc.edu.au/people/anthony-podesta](http://ussc.edu.au/people/anthony-podesta) (accessed: November 29, 2015): *"Former advisor to President Bill Clinton Tony Podesta was a visitor at the US Studies Centre in May 2015. He is founder and chairman of the Podesta Group, the largest independent government relations and public relations firm in Washington, DC. A former articles editor of the Law Review at Georgetown University, Podesta served as an assistant US Attorney in the District of Columbia. ... During the 1980s, Podesta served as founding president of People for the American Way [1981-1987], the constitutional liberties organisation founded by television producer Norman Lear and prominent clergy, educators, business executives and civic leaders. A former counsel to the late Senator Edward M. Kennedy and a frequent adviser to former President Bill Clinton, Podesta has provided leadership and strategic guidance to a host of politicians."*
- ▶ Emerged soon after the creation of this oversight as a star in the bogus [Pizzagate affair](#) that was orchestrated by online supporters/disinformers of Donald Trump.

## Bernie Sanders

- ▶ Leading Democratic presidential candidate for the 2016 presidential elections. Greatly in favor of strongly increasing taxes for the rich and giving all working Americans paid vacations, as is normal in the rest of the western world.
- ▶ Before and throughout his presidential campaign, Bernie Sanders sat on the international advisory board of the [Earth](#)

Day Network with Ted Turner and Al Gore. Past members of this board have included elites as 1001 Club members Maurice Strong and Laurance Rockefeller. Fellow "progressive" environmentalist Ralph Nader served as board member and special counsel in the early 1990s.

- Among Sanders' economic advisors for his 2016 presidential campaign have been numerous Rockefeller and Soros "new left" assets, including key superclass members Joseph Stiglitz and Jeffrey Sachs (CFR member; Bilderberg 1990; director Harvard's HIID 1995-1999, which tried to restructure Russia's economy, but was plagued by Russian corruption and rather elite corruption within its own ranks; economic advisor Brookings Institution; with Stiglitz an advisor to the super-elite Institute for International Economics; head of the Soros-financed Earth Institute since 2002; with Stiglitz a founding advisor to the Soros-financed Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET)). Others include Robert Johnson, Jane D'Arista, Lawrence Mishel, Nomi Prins and Dean Baker.

- January 26, 2016, Breitbart, 'Exclusive – Bernie Sanders Blasts Billionaires, Has Unreported Ties to George Soros': *"Sanders' 2011 panel on Federal Reserve reform included Nobel Prize-winning Columbia University economics professor Joseph Stiglitz, a proponent of substantial government regulation of the economy. Stiglitz has been involved in numerous projects with Soros and serves on the boards of numerous Soros organizations, including the billionaire's signature Open Society Foundation. Stiglitz conducted teach-ins at Occupy Wall Street, which was reportedly launched by the Soros-funded Adbusters magazine. It is instructive to note that Sanders is backed by a coalition calling itself "People for Bernie," which states it consists of "veteran grassroots organizers of Occupy Wall Street, and are joined by many energized brothers and sisters we have met along the way." Stiglitz, meanwhile, also served in President Bill Clinton's administration as a member of the presidential cabinet of advisers and chairman of the White House Council of Economic Advisers. ... Stiglitz has criticized President Obama as being "too conservative" to assert a progressive economic vision, and "too afraid to take the bold kind of action that President Roosevelt took" during the Great Depression, MSNBC reported. ... Stiglitz is an active member on the board of the Institute for New Economic Thinking, or INET, an organization that seeks nothing less than to remake the global economy. INET was founded with a \$25 million five-year donation from Soros. In April 2011, Stiglitz was featured at INET's annual summit, which takes place at the same hotel that hosted the 1944 Bretton Woods economic conference, which sought to reconstruct the post-World War II international monetary system. Other INET members served on*



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► Bernie Sanders and Noam Chomsky have expressed mutual

support for each other over the decades:

- ▶ August 11, 2015, the elite-backed [Alternet](#), 'Noam Chomsky: What Bernie Sanders' Campaign Is Doing to the Democratic Party': *"Chomsky finally has a mutual admirer in the political system and he happens to be out-polling every GOP contender. In May 1985, then-Burlington mayor Bernie Sanders brought Noam Chomsky to Vermont to talk about the U.S. military intervention in Latin America. "At a time when many intellectuals...find it more comfortable to be silent and to go with the flow as it were, it is comforting to find on occasion individuals who have the guts to speak out about the important issues of our time, and certainly Professor Chomsky has been the person to do it," Sanders said. A friend of mine emailed Chomsky recently to ask about the Sanders campaign. This is what Chomsky said: "I'm glad that Sanders is running. A good way to bring important ideas and facts to people. His candidacy might also press the Dems a little in a progressive direction. In our system of bought elections he has scarcely a chance of getting beyond the primaries, and even if by some miracle he were elected he wouldn't be able to do anything, lacking any congressional representatives, governors, etc. As far as I can see he's a thorn in the side of the Clinton machine, which is not a bad thing." A few months ago, the Guardian asked Chomsky about Sanders, and received a similar response. When Sanders heard about Chomsky's response, he said he was "not as pessimistic as Noam....He's right, we live in an increasingly oligarchic form of society, where billionaires are able to buy elections and candidates, and it is very difficult, not just for Bernie Sanders but for any candidate who represents working families. But I think the situation is not totally hopeless, and I think we do have a shot to win this thing."*

### Joseph Stiglitz

- ▶ [Superclass](#) member and Rockefeller-Soros-allied economist. Helped the peculiar [Greg Palast](#) with his WTO/World Bank document leaks and was a major supporter of [Occupy Wall Street](#).
- ▶ For many years on the advisory board of the super-elite Peterson Institute for International Economics:
  - ▶ [piie.com/institute/board.cfm](#) (accessed: April 10, 2016):  
*"BOARD OF DIRECTORS: \* Peter G. Peterson, Chairman ... \* C. Fred Bergsten ... Jacob A. Frenkel. Maurice R. Greenberg ... \* Carla A. Hills ... \* Lynn Forester de*

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► [piie.com/institute/advisory.cfm](http://piie.com/institute/advisory.cfm) (accessed: April 10, 2016): "ADVISORY COMMITTEE: ... Thierry de Montbrial ... Jeffrey D. Sachs ... Joseph E. Stiglitz ..."

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## **Oliver Stone**

- Biography moved to ISGP's "[Liberal CIA' in Hollywood](#) article.

## **Howard Zinn**

- Born in Brooklyn in 1922 (died in 2010). Served as bombardier during World War II 1943-1945. By March 1948 the FBI received information that Zinn was a Communist Party member involved in "liberal CIA" type activism. By March 1949 the FBI opened a file on him, with FBI director J. Edgar Hoover knowing his name. Zinn's communist affiliations make sense in light of his black activism and post-9/11 involvement with the Stalinist-communist-globalist ANSWER

Coalition.

- ▶ March 30, 1949, FBI's SAC, New York to FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, 'Howard Zinn. Security Matter - C', pp. 4, 107, 139: "ZINN listed as Vice-Chairman of Kings' County Committee of American Veterans Committee in November, 1946 issue of "Vet' Voice". *[The American Veterans Committee was chaired by "liberal CIA" asset Gilbert Harrison, a co-founder of the elite New World Foundation, along with the Rockefeller-tied Anita McCormick Blaine; veterans groups may have served as CIA fronts] ...*

*Investigation in this case was predicated on information furnished to the Washington Field Office on March 27, 1948, by Confidential Informant [blanked out]. ... ZINN came to Washington, D.C. on March 25, and helped picket the White House on March 26, 1948, in connection with the picketing sponsored by the American Committee to Protect the Jewish State and the United Nations. ZINN indicated that he is a member of the Communist Party and that he attends Party meetings five nights a week in Brooklyn. ...*

*[July 31, 1963 FBI report:] In 1958, a foreman at the Lerner Shops, New York City, said that ZINN had a reputation of being a Communist while working there about 1950. ... [Zinn] was host at Spelman College for a soviet youth delegation in 1961. ZINN, his wife, and daughter participated in public protests of the President's request in October, 1962, that soviet missiles be withdrawn from Cuba. ...*

*[January 6, 1964 FBI file:] Active CP member 1948-49. In 1952 he was described as procommunist. In 1953 his name was linked with CP underground. Although he denied CP membership in 1953 his denial not supported by facts. In 1956 a former CP member was of the opinion Zinn probably still a CP member then. In 1961 he attempted to recruit students to attend 8th World Youth Festival *[anti"imperialist", socialist group bringing together youths from the West and communist countries]* and was described as pro-Catro in 1962. He publicly protested United States demand for withdrawal of Soviet missiles from Cuba."*

- ▶ Reportedly attended numerous Communist Party meetings in the late 1940s and early 1950s, according to an FBI informant who saw him at these meetings. BA New York University in 1951. MA (1952) and Ph.D. (1958) from Columbia University. Professor and chairman of the Department of History and Social Sciences at the all-black female Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia 1956-1963. Got his students involved in black anti-segregation protests in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi. Wrote about these actions in "liberal CIA" "new left" magazines as [The Nation](#) and [Harper's](#). Visiting professor at the University of Paris and the University of Bologna. Post-

doctoral fellow in East Asian Studies at Harvard University 1960-1961. Advisory board member of the Martin Luther King-allied black activist group the SNCC in the 1960s. Critical of the Kennedys with regard to civil rights. Professor at Boston University 1964-1988. Gave anti-war and anti-segregation speeches. In 1968 he flew to Hanoi, North Korea, to secure the release of three American prisoners of war.

- ▶ Around 1963-1967 an advisory board member of the [\[Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee\]](#), an May 1960 off-shoot of [Martin Luther King's Rockefeller-financed SCLC](#); and involved also with the Rockefeller and Ford Foundation (later also Soros)-funded [Institute for Policy Studies](#).

Just as important, in the June 1963 - January 1967 period, the SNCC, the SCLC, the NAACP and other groups all fell under the umbrella of the Council for United Civil Rights Leadership (CUCRL), set up with a huge amount of funding from the [Rockefeller Foundation](#), [Ford Foundation](#) and various corporations.

- ▶ March 30, 1949, FBI's SAC, New York to FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, 'Howard Zinn. Security Matter - C', PDF p. 108 of 249: *"Atlanta T-1 stated on July 5, 1963, that HOWARD ZINN, former Head of the History Department at Spelman College, was one of two adults recently selected to serve on the Executive Committee of the SNCC. ... SNCC ... had protested the professor's dismissal [from] Spelman College [for being] active in trying to lessen the alleged tyrannical atmosphere and increase the academic freedom of students at Spelman College."*
- ▶ [content.wisconsinhistory.org/cdm/ref/collection/p15932coll2/id/28822](http://content.wisconsinhistory.org/cdm/ref/collection/p15932coll2/id/28822) (accessed: September 9, 2018): *"Zinn--Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee papers, advisory, 1963-1967 (Howard Zinn papers, 1956-1994; Archives Main Stacks, Mss 588, Box 2, Folder 12)"*
- ▶ February 13, 1964, Arthur I. Waskow to Howard Zinn on an Institute for Policy Studies (Washington, D.C.) paper to Howard Zinn, pp. 1-2: *"Dear Howard ... Please do come as my guest to meet at the Institute when the SNCC Advisory Council comes here next, or whenever you are in this area. ... Summary of meeting of the Advisory Committee Feb. 9-10, 1964, Washington, D.C. President: Miss Ella Baker, Mr. William Higgs, Mr. Len Holt, Mr. Jack Minnis, Mr. Howard Zinn."*
- ▶ April 21, 1967 SNCC letter from Shirley Wright, Assistant Director SNCC, New York Office, to Howard Zinn: *"First let me say I regret not having been able to meet you personally on the April 15th march in New York. ... [I] hear glowing reports of the march turn out and your superb*

*address to the huge audience."*

- ▶ Author, amongst others, of the following books: *SNCC: The New Abolitionists* (1964), *Vietnam: The Logic of Withdrawal* (1967), *Disobedience and Democracy* (1968), *The Politics of History* (1970), *The Pentagon Papers* - [Senator Gravel](#) Edition (1971), together with [Noam Chomsky](#); and *A People's History of the United States: 1492 – Present* (1980).
- ▶ Backed by the Ford Foundation and Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation in the 1960s:

- ▶ vault.fbi.gov FBI file on Howard Zinn, part 1 of 4, PDF pp. 111, 112, 156: *"A [November 1962] report issued by the Southern Research Council (SRC), a body of white and Negro Southern leaders... was prepared by Dr. Howard Zinn. The SRC of Atlanta, Georgia, issued another report by Zinn concerning the Albany racial situation in January, 1962. ...*

*On May 22, 1962, Professor RICHARD L. WALKER, Department of International Studies, University of South Carolina, advised SA [blanked out] that he had received an invitation and had attended a seminar on "American Policy Toward China" at the Atlanta University Center on May 9 and 10, 1962. [He] said that the organiser of the seminar, HOWARD ZINN, Professor at Spelman College, received a grant from the [Ford Foundation](#) to enable the seminar to take place...*

*One of the seminar speakers, WILLIAM WORTHY, described by WALKER as a pro-Castro reporter for the Negro newspaper "Baltimore Afro-American" spoke favorably of the "Black Muslims," praised ROBERT FRANKLIN WILLIAMS - a fugitive being sought by the FBI, and denounced U.S. policy toward Cuba. Professor WALKER stated that ZINN appeared to be in complete agreement with WORTHY. ...*

*AT T-4 advised on February 6, 1962, that he had seen a letter from the Student Peace Union [in] Chicago... The letter stated that students from all over the United States would converge on Washington, D.C. February 16 and 17, 1962 to demonstrate in front of the White House for the ending of all nuclear testing and termination of the Civil Defense Program. AT T-4 said that the sponsors for this group locally were HOWARD ZINN [Harvard] and STAUGHTON LYND [Harvard], who are history professors at Spelman College ...*

*The "Atlanta Daily World", a Negro daily newspaper at Atlanta, Georgia, carried an article on August 1, 1964 entitled, "Dr. Zinn Goes To Mississippi Under Foundation Grant. The article reported Dr. ZINN, a newly appointed Professor of Government at Boston University, would leave for Mississippi to establish an educational program*

*for young civil rights workers in the South. The article stated in part that ZINN, a former chairman of the History Department at Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia, would undertake the program under an award from the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation in conjunction with its human rights program.."*

- ▶ One of the earliest "antifa" activists who co-founded the RESIST Foundation in 1967. These include decades-long "liberal CIA" assets [Noam Chomsky](#), Howard Zinn, Dr. Benjamin Spock, Marcus Raskin of the Ford, Rockefeller and later Soros-backed [Institute for Policy Studies](#), and [William Sloane Coffin Jr.](#) (CIA-turned-anti-CIA and brought into Yale Skull & Bones by George H. W. Bush):
  - ▶ October 16, 2007, The Nation, '40 Years On, a New Call to Resist?': "Forty years ago [1967], a handful of [activists] published a call for ... support for those refusing to serve [in Vietnam]. Initially signed by Noam Chomsky, Howard Zinn ... Dr. Benjamin Spock, Marcus Raskin, and the Reverend William Sloane Coffin among others, eventually, 20,000 signed on and the indispensable RESIST foundation was formed. [Their manifesto] "Resist: A Call to Resist Illegitimate Authority" seems as relevant as ever. ..."
- ▶ Sponsor of the [Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament \(Peace Coalition\)](#), along with top superclass member Thomas Pickering, superclass member George Kennan, various other elites, and "liberal CIA" activists Noam Chomsky and Daniel Ellsberg and 9/11-no-plane disinformers Dr. Richard Falk.
- ▶ Advisory board member of [Truth-out.org](#), a "liberal CIA" publication that received at least \$750,000 from the [Schumann Center](#) of Soros-ally, CFR member and Bilderberg steering committee member Bill Moyers. More minor funds came from the [Park Foundation](#) and [Rudolf Steiner Foundation](#).
- ▶ Zinn's cooperation with [Senator Mike Gravel](#), alongside the curious Noam Chomsky, with the publication of the Pentagon Papers in 1971 is problematic, because post-9/11 Gravel emerged as Holocaust denial-linked 9/11 and UFO disclosure conspiracy disinformers - basically meaning Gravel is CIA.
- ▶ Zinn was listed as a supporter of [Act Now to Stop War and End Racism \(ANSWER Coalition\)](#) in the early 2000s. ANSWER is and was a Stalinist-communist-Muslim antifa organization that supports the key pillars of globalism: fully open borders to the Third World and LGBTQ rights. The Rockefeller-tied globalist "liberal CIA" asset and supposedly hardcore communist [Ramsey Clark](#) founded it. Very few well-known people openly supported ANSWER, but they most certainly also included 9/11-no-planer and chemtrails disinformers [Michel Chossudovsky](#).



- ▶ In 2008, the Zinn Education project was founded in partnership with Teaching for Change, which has set up other NGOs in collaboration with the Ford Foundation (such as DC VOICE). The whole project is about explaining to school children how racist whites were against blacks.
- ▶ 9/11 disinformers:
  - ▶ September 2, 2016 YouTube upload by "licorne27", '9 11 truth confront Howard Zinn in Montreal - UQAM' (took place on November 19, 2008): *"I have said that what happened on 9/11 deserves investigation more than it has been, because I don't accept or believe official investigations, of course. But having said that... there are many people who become fanatics about 9/11. ... They think that we should drop everything and just concentrate our energies on finding out what happened on 9/11. ... I don't think that the question of what really happened on 9/11 is the most important question that we can ask. ... Sure, if you wanna take 10 people and give them the job of investigating what happened on 9/11, fine. But to tell a movement [of] citizens in the United States [that] this is something we really have to make a major issue of, I don't believe [that]. ... We don't need what happened on 9/11 ... to tell us of the crimes of the Bush administration. We don't need it. We have enough evidence of what the Bush administration has done. We have enough evidence how he used 9/11 to get us into two wars. So I believe that there are certain ... questions that are asked about history that divert us from the important things that we have to do at hand. And this is that I resisted the idea [of] what really happened on 9/11. The truth is, I don't think anybody will ever know what really happened on 9/11. Truth is, I don't think anybody will ever know what happened. Just as I don't think anybody will really know who killed John F. Kennedy. [There are] a lot of people who wasted a huge amount of time working on something that I [think] did not have any practical or political significance."*
  - ▶ In 2008 [Noam Chomsky](#), fellow Liberal CIA asset [Daniel Ellsberg](#), and antifa chieftain Howard Zinn came to the aid of the Albert Einstein Institution (AEI) of Gene Sharp in a "holding the line" effort of the "new left" "progressive" (media and activist) network when it started picking up on accusations that the AEI might be involved in left-wing "soft coups". No matter what the truth, Gene Sharp is the most closely associated with Harvard's Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, co-founded by Henry Kissinger and McGeorge Bundy, with people like Zbigniew Brzezinski (early recruit; IAC anno 1998) and Samuel Huntington (exec. anno 1998) on various boards.

► The amount of support Zinn receives in [Hollywood](#) and [music industry](#) circles is very extensive:

- Back in the 1960s, actor [Samuel L. Jackson](#) lived in a home of the SNCC, on whose advisory board Zinn sat.
- [howardzinn.org/related-projects/the-people-speak/](#) (accessed: September 9, 2018): *"The People Speak [2009] was inspired by Howard Zinn's groundbreaking books A People's History of the United States... The film is narrated by historian Howard Zinn... The People Speak is produced by [Matt Damon](#), [Josh Brolin](#), ... and Howard Zinn. ...*

*Dramatic and musical performances by Allison Moorer, Benjamin Bratt, [Bob Dylan](#), [Bruce Springsteen](#), Chris Robinson, Christina Kirk, [Danny Glover](#), [Darryl "DMC" McDaniels](#), David Strathairn, [Don Cheadle](#), [Eddie Vedder](#), Harris Yulin, Jasmine Guy, [John Legend](#), Josh Brolin, Kathleen Chalfant, Kerry Washington, Lupe Fiasco, Marisa Tomei, Martin Espada, Matt Damon, Michael Ealy, Mike O'Malley, [Morgan Freeman](#), P!nk, Q'orianka Kilcher, Reg E. Cathey, Rich Robinson, [Rosario Dawson](#), Sandra Oh, [Sean Penn](#), Staceyann Chin, and [Viggo Mortensen](#)."*

- December 8, 2009, The Philadelphia Inquirer, 'A plainer view of our past: America's history has been written not by VIPs, but EPs - everyday people - argues historian Howard Zinn. His books have inspired a star-dusted TV documentary': *"On a windy Tuesday evening in November, a student crowd filled the 1,200-plus-capacity Irvine Auditorium on the Penn campus.*

*They'd come to catch the creme of hip-hop's past (Run-DMC's Darryl McDaniels) and present (Lupe Fiasco) in person and watch footage of ["liberal CIA" musicians] [John Legend](#), [Bruce Springsteen](#) and [Eddie Vedder](#) performing protest songs. ...*

*Now [Howard Zinn's] books A People's History of the United States and Voices of a People's History have been turned into the provocative TV special The People Speak, of which Penn students were seeing snippets at the Nov. 17 screening.*

*Zinn was executive producer along with [Josh Brolin](#) and [Matt Damon](#). ... Chris Moore [is] yet another executive producer. His credits include Good Will Hunting and American Pie. ... [Brolin] read Zinn's work as a teen but got involved in People Speak through producer and Zinn writing partner Anthony Arnone. He agreed to coproduce when he attended Voices in New York City, a reading and celebration of A People's History's millionth sold copy. ... Damon long has had a passion for the Zinn view of history. The Oscar-winning co-screenwriter of Good Will*

*Hunting made Zinn a household name in that film when, as Will Hunting, Damon exclaims, "If you want to read a real history book, read Howard Zinn's A People's History of the United States. That book will knock you on your ass."*

*Damon's family grew up next door to Zinn and his wife in West Newton, Mass. [with actor Ben Affleck being a childhood friend of Matt Damon] "To a 9-year-old, he was a really nice guy, the professor who lived next door," says Damon with a chuckle. "The book was a big part of my life not only because it came out when I was 10. It wound up being one of the history books we used in high school." Will Hunting's words sparked interest in Hollywood, and producers came forward to bring the book to the screen. "We were really intrigued by that idea but didn't know how we'd go about it," says Damon. He says it was Zinn's idea to enlist actors with decided political beliefs. ... "The key to People Speak is that change comes from the bottom up; always has, always will," says Damon. "That goes for today, too. We can't wait for Barack Obama to just fix things. We have to be in his ear. That's our job as engaged citizens.""*

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***Newton Garcia:** I love Democracy Now. But it is bad when they show one side of if only and make it sound like that's the truth! Democracy Now should dig more about it. Left, right and center here are all corrupt and bad actors! That's the truth! I am neither left, right or center... There are proofs and indications. Actually many. Lula was sent to jail due to money laundering. ...*

***NIK:** Why is DN never worried about the rise of far left Organizations threatening democracy? ...*

***alexandre xavier:** Dilma and Lula broke Brazil. They raised taxes and assaulted state-owned enterprises while distributing crumbs to the poor. ...*

***MrGabehawk:** She's only "forgotten" to say that she's been convicted of terrorism, kidnapping, bank robbery and taking part in a gruesome murder in which a man had explosives attached to his body during the so called "Dictatorship" ... She has also forgotten to mention that she and the other criminals have never fought for democracy. They tried to impose a dictatorship following cuban patterns. There are videos of this criminals confessing it openly."*

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*Marielle's murder took place one month after a military intervention in the state of Rio de Janeiro, which is focused on poor, mostly Black communities. ... "The 41st Military Police*

*Battalion of Rio de Janeiro is terrorizing and violating Acari residents. This week two youths were killed and tossed in a ditch. Today, the police walked the streets threatening residents. This has always happened, and with the military intervention things have gotten worse," [Franco] wrote on Twitter [just before her death]."*

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*- Roberta Mazzariol: Chairman of the Board: ... A founder and Senior Managing Director at Atlas Advisors, an investment banking firm. Prior, she worked as an investment banker at J.P. Morgan. She holds an M.B.A. from NYU's Leonard N. Stern School of Business, and a J.D. from the University of São Paulo Law School. ...*

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*Latin American research analyst at Lehman Brothers and CSFB [Credit Suisse]. Will received a BSBA in finance from Georgetown University.*

*Marcello Hallake: ... Partner with Jones Day, an international law firm. ... Georgetown University. Marcello is a board member of various not-for-profit organizations. [Former partner Coudert Brothers LLP until 2005]*

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*- Sylvia Brasil Coutinho: ... Became the president at UBS bank in Brazil in 2013. Before joining UBS, Sylvia was responsible for the retail business, insurance and asset management at HSBC Bank for Latin America, and worked at Citigroup. ...*

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